

Headteacher Recruitment Pack

Letter from the Chair of Governors



Dear Applicant

Thank you for expressing an interest in the role of Headteacher at Rockwell Green Church of England Primary School.

Situated on the west side of Wellington, Rockwell Green is one of four primary schools within the town and is part of the Wellington Cluster Group. We provide a safe, happy, well-resourced and inclusive learning environment, where all children thrive. We offer a wide range of creative learning and sporting opportunities through a varied, rich and exciting curriculum. There are currently 201 children on role plus a 40 place Pre School, and we believe that solid foundations in the early years are the core foundation to a well rounded education.

We are very proud of the academic and pastoral reputation of our growing school. In addition to our thriving preschool, we have an on-site Forest School and offer before and after school care, as well as a range of after school clubs. We are also extremely proud of our links with the local community, which includes our parish church and a number of other churches in the local area. Rockwell Green is the only school in Wellington to be affiliated with the Royal British Legion and our children regularly take flowers to the war graves at Wellington Cemetery.

Our committed and experienced Board of Governors are dedicated to providing the Headteacher with the necessary support to build on our current achievements and lead the school into its next phase of development. We are seeking to appoint an outstanding school leader who has the skills to embrace our Christian ethos and further develop the outstanding care and education given to every child, academically, physically, emotionally and spiritually. We are committed to working together with the Church and community to ensure that Rockwell Primary Church of England Primary remains a well-respected and inclusive school of which we can all be proud.

Our recent Ofsted inspection rated the school as good and our SIAMS inspection rated the school as outstanding.

You can learn more about our school on the website and we hope that you can visit us too and experience Rockwell Green Primary for yourself. Visits can be arranged by contacting the school.

We look forward to receiving your completed application.

Yours faithfully

Sarah Ruffett Chair of Governors

Application Process and Key Dates



The governors of Rockwell Green Church of England Primary School are seeking to appoint a caring and inspirational leader who has the enthusiasm and skills to build on our current achievements and lead the school into to the next phase of its development.

We are looking for a Headteacher who:

- Understands, values and will develop the Christian ethos of our school;
- Has an inspirational and inclusive leadership style with a sense of direction which will empower and motivate others to reach their full potential;
- Is an excellent communicator with an open and approachable manner;
- Has a breadth of experience across all primary ages and recognises the importance of the foundation stage.

In return we can offer you:

- The opportunity to make a real difference to the lives of the children and families in the local community;
- The support and commitment of our Governing Body and local Church community;
- A dedicated and motivated whole school team who are passionate about children's learning and well-being;
- A sound financial base and well resourced school.

More information about the school can be found on our website. Visits to the school are encouraged and should be arranged in advance by contacting the school.

Rockwell Green Church of England Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS and all relevant pre-employment checks.

Closing Date: 17th September 2018

Interviews: 26th and 27th September 2018

Visions and Values



MISSION STATEMENT

As a Church of England School, we aim to work with parents, pupils, staff, governors and the church to provide a safe environment in which each child is valued as an individual made in the image of God, and in which the child can find security, acceptance, reassurance and an opportunity to develop their potential. We aim to create a caring and happy community in which Christian values are upheld:

Train up children in the way they should go, and when they are old they will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6

OUR ETHOS STATEMENT

Recognising our historic foundation, the School aims to serve its community by providing the highest quality education within its context as a Church of England School.

AIMS

Rockwell Green Church of England Primary School is a church school and as such, our principal beliefs and values are derived from the foundation of the Church of England.

We aim to:

- Encourage children to reach their full potential, by providing a stimulating curriculum
- Promote Christian values
- Welcome children into a safe, inclusive environment
- Teach children to show respect for others
- Create a school that prepares children for life in the wider community

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

- Generosity
- Compassion
- Courage
- Forgiveness
- Friendship
- Respect
- Thankfulness
- Trust
- Perseverance
- Justice
- Service
- Truthfulness

RELIGIOUS CHARACTER OF ROCKWELL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

The school's Religious Education policy has been drawn up in accordance with the Somerset Agreed Syllabus, and with reference to the Diocesan Board of Education. The daily Act of Worship is intended to reflect our Christian tradition. It is, however, intended that our pupils should gain some awareness and understanding of other world religions. We have a number of visitors to our school who lead our Acts of Worship. These are religious leaders from the local area.

For festivals and special occasions we hold services at All Saints' Church, Rockwell Green.

About Wellington



A friendly town set in the wide valley between the Brendon and Blackdown Hills, Wellington gave its name to the famous 'Iron Duke', victor of the Battle of Waterloo. The 175ft column built on the scarp edge of the Blackdowns was erected in his honour: at night it is an illuminated landmark for miles around.

The town's growth and prosperity date back to the 18th century when the Fox Family built their integrated woollen mill. Visit the Wellington museum to find out more about this historic town and unravel the Fox Family legacy.

With a range of specialist shops, Wellington is ideal for browsing during the day whilst the 'Wellesley', the town's unique 1930s cinema offers entertainment in the evening.

Award-winning Wellington Park, which was given to Wellington town by the Fox family in 1903, has been restored thanks to a Heritage Lottery grant. The Friends of Wellington Park arrange a number of events in the park during the Summer months.

Wellington Carnival takes place on the last Saturday in September. Part of the South Somerset Federation of Carnivals, the procession consists of various walking entries, majorettes, marching bands and colourful illuminated floats to entertain the crowds. Wellington Street Fair is another annual event, which sees two of the main streets closed and filled with a variety of stalls and entertainment throughout the day.

Wellington has also recently become a 'Food Town' and hosts various events and initiatives to celebrate the best in local food and drink. For music lovers, Welliestock and Sheppyfest festivals celebrate local talent.

This growing town boasts excellent road infrastructure, with quick and easy access to the M5. Nearby towns of Taunton and Tiverton have rail links to London and the South West, and Exeter and Bristol airports are both within an hours drive. Ideally situated for exploration, the Cathedral City of Exeter is less than 35 miles away and there are a number of National Trust and heritage sites within the local area.



School Information



Age Range	2-11
School Type	Voluntary Controlled
Gender	Mixed
Faith	Church of England
Address	Brooklands Road, Rockwell Green, Wellington, Somerset, TA21 9DJ
Phone Number	01823 662317
Website	http://www.rockwellgreenprimary.co.uk/
OFSTED Rating	Good (May 2017)
SIAMS Rating	Outstanding
Number of Children	201 (single entry school)
Free School Meals	18.6%