



September 2019

Dear Applicant

Thank you for your interest in the post of Headteacher of our school. I hope you find the information we have provided helpful.

Appointing a new Headteacher to Whitstone School is one of the most important tasks the Board of Governors will undertake. Whitstone is a lovely school with its own unique ethos. As a small secondary school, we pride ourselves on our friendly, happy atmosphere characterised by high expectations and excellent relationships between students and staff.

The school has undergone significant development during the last nine years and secured its second 'Good' rating from Ofsted in February 2017. However, there is still much to be done and we are hoping to appoint a leader who believes passionately in comprehensive education and the right of every child to achieve his or her full potential; someone who can build on the school's many strengths, but at the same time is ambitious for its future.

This vacancy presents an exciting opportunity for an outstanding leader. You must have drive, energy and the ability to motivate and inspire students and staff, as well as the ability to build effective relationships with parents, other schools and the wider community.

If you feel you have the skills, experience and personal qualities we are looking for, I hope you will apply by completing an application form and writing a separate letter of application of no more than two sides of A4, addressed to me.

The timetable for the recruitment process is as follows:

Closing Date:	Tuesday 1 October
Information to shortlisted candidates:	Monday 7 October
Interviews:	Monday 14 & Tuesday 15 October

If you require any further information, or would like to visit the school prior to the deadline, please contact Ruth Sayer on 01749 345555 / RSayer@educ.somerset.gov.uk.

I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours faithfully

James Millward

Chair of the Board of Governors