



The Priory Church of England Primary
School, Christchurch

"Made to Flourish"

PRIORY C.E. VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

11th March 2024

Dear Colleague,

I was successfully appointed as Headteacher of the Priory CofE School in September 2023 and in my first year I have been overwhelmed by the support and friendship I have received from the whole school community. As a one-form entry school, we pride ourselves on the family feel of our school and the strong relationships that are forged in partnership to help everyone flourish.

I am extremely proud of leading in a Church of England school and our Christian vision 'Made to Flourish' is at the heart of all we do. Our vision underpins our strategic direction and we have built a bespoke curriculum, with a broad range of experiences and opportunities, which enable all our pupils and staff to flourish, recognising that each of us are individual and unique. In my short time at Priory School, I have already introduced three strands of flourishing: Team Priory, Teach and Learn Priory, Heart Priory. Each of these aspects is designed to enable children and adults alike to have a strong sense of belonging and purpose, understand their relationship with others and grow a mindset that allows them to reach their aspirations.

I am looking for an Assistant Headteacher to work alongside me as I continue to grow our school in order to provide outstanding teaching and learning as well as prioritising personal and spiritual development and wellbeing. Being creative in my role and approach, as well as having a focused strategic plan underpinned by strong pedagogy and latest research, has enabled me to bring about positive change in our ethos, practices and procedures to ensure that Priory school runs effectively. I am seeking a like-minded individual who embraces challenge, is open to feedback, has strong interpersonal skills and is highly organised. Above all, I am looking for an outstanding teacher who has consistently demonstrated the ability to engage, challenge and support all learners as well as inspire colleagues to deliver highly effective teaching and learning in the classroom and beyond. If you are looking for the opportunity to develop your leadership and hone your skill at influencing whole-school improvement this is a wonderful opportunity for you to grow as a future leader.

I would like to invite you to make an appointment to visit our school and meet with me in person. In the meantime, please take the time to look at our school website which has all the information you may require. Our school Twitter page is updated regularly too and has many examples of our 'Made to Flourish' vision.

I thank you for expressing your interest in this position and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Warmest regards,

Mrs Sarah Richardson