



St. Nicholas and St. Laurence
CE Primary School



Diocese of Salisbury
Academy Trust
'Beyond expectations for all of God's children'

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for considering the post of Headteacher at St Nicholas and St Laurence CE Primary School, part of the Diocese of Salisbury Academy Trust (DSAT) which comprises twenty-eight schools. The school is located north of Weymouth town centre and takes children from the surrounding area. We are blessed to work in this attractive seaside town, which is part of the outstanding Jurassic Coast, a World Heritage Site. We are based on the Wey Valley Campus which comprises St Nicholas and St Laurence CE Primary, Wyvern School, The Wey Valley Academy and Scallywags Childcare Centre. Many of our children enter Reception from Scallywags and the vast majority leave Year 6 to go to Wey Valley Academy. We are a very popular school offering a variety of wrap around care. Currently we are oversubscribed with 213 children.

Our vision statement: **"Inspire to aspire - Life in all its fullness"** was created by the school community. We want to inspire all our children to take on new learning, new experiences, new responsibilities, new challenges so they can become the very best they can be. Our core values are **hope, perseverance, fellowship, compassion, resilience and love** and we live them out as a flourishing church school. We have very strong links with our two churches and our immediate community.

The school has been part of DSAT since July 2022 and is part of the Bay Hub comprising St John's, St Andrew's, Beechcroft St Paul's, St Michael's Lyme Regis and Beaminster St Mary's. The schools work closely together to provide the best opportunities for our children. You will work in collaboration with a range of stakeholders across DSAT to enable us to achieve the Trust's vision of going **"Beyond expectations for all of God's children"**. The Trust thrives on collaboration and supporting all its schools to be successful. We know that we are better and stronger together. To find out more about DSAT please view www.dsat.org.uk.

Our Headteacher, Wayne Roberts, has announced his retirement, so we are seeking an equally **inspirational and dynamic Headteacher** to lead our thriving school into the next exciting chapter of our journey. This role will at times be demanding, but the rewards are immeasurable. You will find a school with strong community links, very supportive parents/carers and enthusiastic children – we hope you enjoy reading what the children have said they want to see in their next Headteacher! We have a team of hard working, dedicated staff who embrace challenges and strive for excellence. We are totally committed to providing the very best opportunities for every child to succeed and flourish. We hope to hear from you, and if successful you will benefit from the full support of a proactive Governing Body, committed to your success. You will also value the guidance and resources from a strong Trust that values collaboration and innovation and offers great opportunities for professional learning and leadership growth.

We encourage you to visit our school where you will be able to see how proud we are of our community and our achievements and hope that you will consider applying to be our new Headteacher. Please contact Wayne Roberts (present Headteacher) at the school if you wish to arrange a visit. We also encourage you to reach out for a conversation with Mark Lacey, CEO, or Jo Hicks, Deputy CEO - please contact Nicki Summerill at the DSAT office to arrange this.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Moore

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Chair of Governors

Mark Lacey
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