Dear Head teacher applicant,

On behalf of everyone in our school family, I thank you for your interest in the position of Head teacher at Carleton St. Hilda’s CE Primary School.

Our teaching and support staff are experienced, loyal and committed and have an excellent relationship with both pupils and families. We also have strong links to the church and community, participating in many events throughout the year.

We currently have 200 pupils on roll and offer a before and after school provision. Our children and families are friendly, enthusiastic and eager to learn and achieve.

St Hilda's is proud of its history and achievements but embraces positive change and new opportunities. There is a very supportive and experienced Governing Board who provide a good balance of challenge, assistance and support.

Our school was rated "Good" at our last short Ofsted inspection in 2018. They reported on

*… a calm, friendly and happy place where we teach pupils to develop as confident and polite children who care for others. Staff and pupils are proud to be part of the school family…an enthusiastic and reflective team of staff who are keen to do their best for every pupil. The school is a hive of activity…*

In November 2016 we were graded as "Outstanding" in all areas at our SIAMs inspection where it was noted that *"The explicit Christian character of the school which permeates all aspects of school life enables the school community to flourish.”*

Our new Head teacher should be an inclusive, compassionate, innovative and supportive leader who is passionate and knowledgeable about teaching and learning and has a love of working with children. The person specification provides a more comprehensive list of the qualities we are looking for, but in essence we wish to appoint somebody with the wisdom, experience and confidence to take the school forward; someone who builds on what is currently excellent and ensures we continue to improve by embracing opportunities and challenges.

We actively encourage the children to participate in all aspects of school and church life and have an enthusiastic School Council. Our school is a happy place to attend and work, and we wish you every success should you decide to apply.

Should you wish to speak to me about school please contact Zoe in the school office on 01253 882225

Yours faithfully

Roger Farley

Chair of Governors