**Welcome from the Headteacher**

Dear Candidate

Thank you for your interest in this temporary vacancy for a Year 3 and 4 teacher in our school, to cover maternity leave. The post will be from 27th November, 2023 until 31st October 2024, or the return of the postholder, whichever is sooner.

Catforth is a popular and friendly school, with supportive staff and families and lovely children, who are well-behaved, enthusiastic and love learning. Our school is located in the village of Catforth not far from Preston. We have four mixed age classes, with an intake number of 13 per year group, although there are a few more children in some year groups.

Jaguars Class, our Year 3 and 4 class, has 21 children, 12 in Year 3 and 9 in Year 4 and they have a full time support from a teaching assistant.

I would encourage you to come and look around our school before submitting your application as I believe that you need to see a school in action before deciding it is the right place for you. Visits can be arranged for Tuesday 12th September at 9.30am or Monday 18th September at 3.45pm. Please ring the school office to arrange this.

Shortlisting will take place soon after the closing date, after which I will arrange to observe the teaching of all shortlisted candidates. Candidates whose teaching is seen to be of a good standard or better, will then be invited to interview during the week beginning 2nd October.

I look forward to welcoming you to Catforth.

Kind Regards,

**Mrs J Bainbridge**

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