Harris Primary School

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Dear Candidate,

On behalf of the Governing Body, may we thank you for taking an interest in the post of Deputy Headteacher at Harris Primary School. We hope you will find the application pack informative and helpful.

Harris is a school where staff, governors, parents, and children co-operate to encourage a culture of learning and personal development for all. We have a talented team of teaching and support staff, who are committed to providing the best possible learning experiences for our children. We believe that every child is unique and as such, we strive to make sure that every child leaves us at the end of Year 6, having achieved their full potential.

Our children enjoy school, they are polite, well-mannered, behave well and are keen to learn. Pupil voice is important to us and having a School Council allows us the opportunity to canvas the children’s opinions and ideas, prior to making wholesale changes. I am sure you will enjoy reading their letter to you.

We provide a broad and balanced curriculum which allows the children we serve to develop the Cultural

Capital needed to ensure that our children achieve their very best, whilst at primary school but also in

preparation for their life beyond Harris. We recently opened a pre-school too, allowing us to get to know

children before they start in YR. In addition to this, we offer wraparound care consisting of a breakfast and after school club, alongside a wide variety of other after school clubs provided by the staff themselves or external providers.

We were rated GOOD in our OFSTED inspection last year, which states that: the quality of education we

provide is good, that our children feel safe, and that we have previously addressed areas that required

developing, as well as identifying other improvements that could be made. As a school, we are now refining and further developing our practices, in line with current research and the needs of our children.

Joining our senior leadership team, is an exciting opportunity for the right person. We would expect the successful candidate to build on our strengths, to identify areas for development and to lead and work with all the school’s stakeholders to achieve excellence.

As part of your application, we look forward to hearing how your leadership skills and teaching abilities have made a positive impact on your current and previous posts. We will be interested to learn how you have identified areas for development, implemented new initiatives and how this has moved your current school and team forward. Most importantly- we would like to know “Why Harris?”

We hope that you will visit us; the staff and pupils will be able to help you with any questions you may have about the day to day running of the school. We wish you every success should you choose to apply for this opportunity to work in this wonderful school.

With best wishes,

Alison Aylott (Chair of Governors) and Ian Groom (Headteacher)