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| A logo for a school  Description automatically generated    **Wheatley Lane Methodist Primary School**  **Fence**  **Burnley**  **BB12 9ED**  **Tel: 01282 617214**  [www.epworthtrust.org.uk](http://www.epworthtrust.org.uk)  **Headteacher Vacancy**  **Permanent from Summer term 2025.**  **Employer Epworth Education Trust**  **Salary**  **L13 (£66,919) to 19 (£77,552)**  **Closing date 9th January 2025 midday**  Wheatley Lane Methodist Primary School, based in the beautiful village of Fence, Burnley, is a loving and inclusive family rooted in Christian Values and a nurturing ethos. We provide a positive learning environment for over 200 children, where they can all achieve their full potential in a successful and flourishing school.  Due to the retirement of the serving Headteacher, we are looking for a new Headteacher to help write the next chapter of our school’s vibrant history. There is a strong foundation for our next Headteacher to enable all children to flourish and succeed spiritually, personally, socially, emotionally and academically – but there are also opportunities to enhance what is being done.  The ideal candidate will have a track record of successful leadership and a commitment to ensuring that Wheatley Lane Methodist Primary continues to be a happy and thriving environment where young people can flourish.  By joining Wheatley Lane, you will be part of the Epworth Education Trust. We are a family of schools who have a genuine commitment to collaboration, innovation and wellbeing. Underpinning this is our motto that each and every one of us should “do all you can" to help our schools and communities to flourish and succeed.  As part of the post, the candidate will be expected to work collaboratively with partners across the Trust and play a role in helping to support high standards of leadership, teaching, learning and behaviour across all of our schools.  In return, we can offer you:  • Wonderful, enthusiastic children who are polite, hardworking, and generous.  • Caring, dedicated, and hardworking staff and a supportive and committed Trust Board and Governing Body.  • A welcoming local community.  • The support of a strong and skilled Trust Central Team.  • A Wellbeing Day.  • Tech and Cycle salary sacrifice schemes as well as other discount schemes.  • Access to Employment Assistance Programme.  • Access to training opportunities and professional development.  To find out more, and to download the application form and application pack, please visit: [www.bepartofwheatleylane.co.uk](http://www.bepartofwheatleylane.co.uk).  Dates to come and view the school are on the microsite. Visits are encouraged and welcomed.  The closing date for applications is: Midday Thursday 9th January 2025  Shortlisting: Friday 10th January  Interviews: Monday 27th & Tuesday 28th January 2025  For an informal discussion about the school, to arrange a visit or for more information on the Epworth Education Trust, please contact Amy Burkes, Director of Education for the Trust, at [doe@epworthtrust.org.uk](mailto:doe@epworthtrust.org.uk)  At the Epworth Education Trust we recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare and safety of all children. We work to provide a safe and welcoming environment where children are respected and valued. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that children receive effective support, protection and justice. The procedures contained in our Safeguarding Policy apply to all staff, volunteers and governors. Our child protection policy can be read here - [Child Protection](https://www.westleighmethodist.wigan.sch.uk/_site/data/files/users/1D5C1D2F9CDA6279EA40E21EA00B0E59.pdf)  We encourage applications from the right candidates regardless of age, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, belief or race. |