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Thank you for showing an interest in our vacancy. I hope that the following information will be of help to you in deciding whether to apply for the position.

In addition to the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and SENCO, the school currently has 11 full time teaching staff and 6 part time teachers who are supported by numerous Teaching Assistants and our Sports Coaching Team. Our children and families are also supported by our Pastoral team, which is led by our Deputy Headteacher, comprising our Learning Mentor, Family Support Worker and Safeguarding Officer. For our younger children we offer a successful, thriving Nursery led by our Early Years phase leader, managed by our two Nursery Managers who are supported by a team of nine Early Years Practitioners. The School is further supported by our Business and Premises teams to ensure that all areas of communication, administration, HR, finance, GDPR and health and safety compliance are managed effectively.

Approximately 30% of our children are registered for Pupil Premium and approximately 27% of our children have English as an Additional Language (EAL). Most of our EAL children have an Eastern European background. We also have approximately 60 children with a range of additional needs with approximately 25 for whom we have applied for high needs top up funding. This mixture of children brings a lovely variety to our school and enriches the children's experiences.

We are also fortunate to have extensive school grounds which our children can enjoy. This includes four separate playgrounds for Nursery, Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2, a large school playing field, a Forest School area, including a firepit, and a communal garden and pond area. This enables us to enhance the children's learning outside the classroom as well as delivering specific interventions to support the children's social and emotional development.

Our School received its last OFSTED inspection in March 2024 where we were judged good with outstanding Leadership, Personal Development and Behaviour and Attitudes. We were excited to hear that 'The school's vision for excellence is visible in school life' and 'The school's exceptional pastoral care helps them to feel safe and valued.' It was also very reassuring that the strong sense of community that we strive for is evident and thriving, with inspectors commenting, 'As soon as they start in the early years, children and families feel that they belong to the school community.'

The school continues to strive to be the best it possibly can and our staff are all committed to making the school even better. We place great importance on staff development and training as this benefits our children and can also lead staff to gain further opportunities or promotion. We have been involved in supporting other schools within Somerset and again, this provides professional development opportunities for many of our staff.

Visits to the school by prospective applicants are very welcome and can be arranged through the school office. If you have any further questions regarding the post advertised, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kevin Bryant
Headteacher