



Dear Colleague,

We are delighted you are considering the post of Headteacher at Durweston CE Primary School, within the Diocese of Salisbury Academy Trust (DSAT). The school serves the village of Durweston and its surrounding rural villages, as well as drawing children from the Blandford Forum area. It is a long-established rural school which sits at the centre of the local community. The school caters for 121 children and benefits from a nurturing preschool. We offer wraparound care within our school building. Our website contains much more information: www.durweston.dsat.org.uk

Our vision statement: "Feed the mind, nurture the spirit, free the imagination" was created by our whole community and echoes the experience we want our children, staff, and community to have at our beloved school. We have three core values of courage, compassion, and joy that we seek to live out as a thriving church school. We have strong links with our church next to our school along with connections through our village hall and local farming community.

The school has been a part of the Diocese of Salisbury Academy Trust (DSAT) since 2022, which now numbers 28 schools. The school is part of the Forum Hub comprising Archbishop Wake, Blandford St Mary, Dunbury, Milldown and Spetisbury. These schools do a lot of work together. You will work in collaboration with a range of stakeholders across DSAT to enable us to achieve the Trust's vision of going 'Beyond expectations for all of God's children.' The Trust thrives on collaboration and supporting all its schools to be successful. We know that we are better and stronger together. To find out more about DSAT please visit www.dsat.org.uk

We are looking for the next courageous and inspirational leader to join our school community in this new chapter of our journey together. This role will at times be demanding, but the rewards and joy are immeasurable, and you will find a community of children, staff, parents, and governors waiting to embrace and support you and your leadership with open arms and minds. If you have a nurturing spirit, a curious mind, have an open imagination and are dedicated to helping our children and community flourish, we hope to hear from you. In return we will support you with compassion and kindness as we embark on our journey of continuous improvement for our school.

We welcome you to visit our school where you will be able see just how proud we are of our community and our achievements and hope that you will consider joining our school family as our next inspirational leader. Please contact Nicki Summerill to arrange a visit to the school, and a conversation with Mark Lacey, CEO, or Jo Hicks, Deputy CEO (see advertisement for contact details).

Yours sincerely,

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