



Filey Junior School

Widening horizons and reaching our potential. Respecting the world and each other. A happy, healthy and positive learning community

Dear Prospective Applicant,

On behalf of our community, I would like to thank you for your interest in the position of Headteacher at Filey Junior School. Filey is a small, coastal town situated between Scarborough and Bridlington. We are one of three schools in the town - an infant school belonging to the Ebor Academy Trust; ourselves, a local authority controlled school; and a secondary school that is now part of the Delta Academy Trust. The schools serve the town of Filey and surrounding villages.

Filey Junior School is a place that lives out its vision to be 'a happy, healthy and positive learning community'. That's what Ofsted had to say about us in our last inspection at least. We currently have around 250 children on roll, although that number is set to rise to around 270 in September 2025. We have a high proportion of children from disadvantaged backgrounds, a slightly lower than average number of pupils on the SEND register, and a very low number of children for whom English is not their first language.

Our children and staff benefit from a 'Specialist Teacher' model that we believe is quite unique. Each year group in school has a teacher that is responsible for Maths, one for Literacy, and one for subjects in the wider curriculum. In addition, French, Music, Computer Coding and RE are taught, across the school, by specialists in those subjects. This approach sees our children move from class to class throughout the day. In addition to the 'specialist' approach, we also employ a great deal of information technology within the school. We have been using 1:1 Chromebooks since 2014 and the use of this technology permeates all lessons.

SEN provision was acknowledged as a strength of the school in the last inspection. We believe in an inclusive environment; providing support, understanding and empathy to everyone within our learning community. We have recently introduced a Nurture space to enhance our provision and we would look to a new leader to help develop this into an integral part of the school. Behaviour in school is very positive with pupils and staff showing respect and understanding to each other.

Financially, the school is in a good position, holding quite a healthy revenue balance. As with most schools, however, in-year spending is starting to become a focus. We do have a large and very well maintained site and buildings, and although already well developed, there is plenty of room for future projects.

We pride ourselves on being a forward-thinking, and quite innovative as a school. We are looking to appoint a new headteacher who will embrace new ideas, and support our hard working and committed staff in developing their own skills and knowledge. We want a leader that can bring out the best in children, staff, parents, and themselves. Our last Ofsted was overwhelmingly positive and would provide an excellent platform for the right person to build upon.

On behalf of our Governing Body, I hope you feel that Filey Juniors is the kind of school you would want to join.

If, after looking at the application pack, you wish to apply for this post, please submit your application to the school at recruitment@filey-jun.n-yorks.sch.uk by midday on DATE.