**Ilsington C of E Primary School**

**Academy Head Required**

**Full time - Permanent Post to commence September 2020 or earlier if possible**

Ilsington Academy, a vibrant primary is seeking an Academy Head with integrity, a genuine passion for education and resilience to take the opportunity to lead this school forward to even greater achievements.

The Link Academy Trust believe that this person will:

* Have the vision to help deliver the reconfiguration and re-design of the school interior to guide that process to provide a professional, exciting learning environment thereby providing children with cutting-edge learning possibilities.
* Be a practical visionary and compassionate leader who will inspire staff and pupils to use problem solving as a driver to achieve high expectations- our bedrock.
* Have a real passion for the growth of children, their well-being and self-confidence, giving them experiences and understanding that they will build upon throughout their life-long learning journey
* Relentlessly work towards delivering a rich and creative curriculum which excites and inspires staff, parents and pupils.
* Be visible and approachable, empathetic and enjoy engaging with children, staff, parents and the wider community.

Why join the Link Academy Trust team?

* We value our staff and supporters at every level highly, at our very core we nurture well-being for everyone and recognise every individual’s contribution.
* There is a consistent and rich programme of CPD for everyone.
* Career opportunities are identified, we ‘talent spot’ to offer progress across the Trust team, while also acknowledging experience and the desire to remain doing what you do best.
* Our experienced and highly qualified Inclusion and Improvement Hub team offer specialist support to our most vulnerable and challenging pupils.

Why this school?

We need a Leader who really wants to make a difference for pupils and their families in the surrounding community. As a small school it is a complex but rewarding opportunity for someone with real commitment to drive forward in an exciting direction and deliver a unique vision that reflects this vibrant moorland school.

This school has a strong educational foundation with Christian Values at its heart.

Ilsington is situated in a beautiful rugged part of Devon, on the edge of Dartmoor with the school central to the very active Ilsington community. There is an embedded culture of mutual support that makes this school within its community a very exciting place to work.

The Link Academy Trust vision that we are ‘stronger together’ is integral to everything we do, you can rely on colleagues across the Trust to support and guide, you will be listened to and heard. Everything we do we all believe in; cutting-edge small schools are the core of our vision and values.

‘Small schools, big opportunities’ is what we are all about.

**We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff to share this commitment. This post is subject to an enhanced DBS disclosure.**

Please see the links below to download an application form and job description

Completed forms should be returned to the Trust HR Officer, Sue Howard at [hr@thelink.academy](mailto:hr@thelink.academy)

Visits to the school are encouraged and we would love to show you around. Please contact the school office on 01364 661208 to arrange a convenient time.

Closing date: Wednesday 11th March 12noon

Interview date: 17th & 18th March 2020