



Developing Potential without Limitations

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Welcome Letter from Chair of Governors

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in joining our school. Frieth School is a Voluntary Aided School situated in a small village in the beautiful Hambleden Valley in South Bucks, approximately 6 miles from the Thameside towns of Marlow and Henley.

It has been located in the conservation area in the centre of our village since its founding over 150 years ago, and although it has been altered and extended on various occasions, it retains a pivotal position between the church and the village hall. The church, the school and the village society form the heart of our community and there are strong mutual connections between these three organisations.

The school is efficiently and enthusiastically guided by its senior leadership team and supported by its staff, PTA, governors and a band of volunteers from the village and the Hambleden Valley.

We are extremely fortunate to be surrounded by the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and the pupils can often be seen playing on the common land to the front of the school at the end of the day, or taking part in cross country runs a little further afield.

A sub-committee of the PTA has masterminded the Frieth Hilly 10k and 5k Runs which have provided much-appreciated financial support for the school's activities in recent years; we hope to see all these activities taking place again when the country returns to normal after the current corona virus restrictions.

The school has a strong church school ethos, while being welcoming to families of all faiths and none, and the staff, governors and pupils are supported in many ways by the Oxford Diocesan Board of Education. **We are a close church school community; nurturing, inspiring and celebrating all individuals. Through creative learning we encourage greatness by *developing potential without limitations*.** Our school is noted for its calm atmosphere and the excellent behaviour of the pupils.

We have been very fortunate with our current Headteacher that she has a strong interest in music, and she has built music up to play a significant part of the life of the school, including various after school lessons and a strong link with the local opera at Garsington. We hope that a new Headteacher will be able to maintain this, even if he/she is not musical him/herself.

You can find much more information about our school from our website, which you can find at www.friethschool.co.uk. Sadly we cannot invite you to visit the school in person at the moment but we look forward to meeting you via video link if you think you are the right person to lead Frieth through the next stage of its life. If you need more information or would like an informal chat, you can reach me via the school office on office@frieth.bucks.sch.uk

With best wishes

Merelina Tebbot, Chair of Governors