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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.

*Our school is noted for its calm atmosphere and the excellent behaviour of the pupils. It 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 have recently consulted on our vision and values, which now encourage our children to 'Let their light shine' and to develop Respect, Responsibility, Resilience, Kindness, Honesty and Creativity in all they do. Our vision is:*

***We are a close church school community; nurturing, inspiring and celebrating all individuals. Through inclusive creative learning we shine a light on individual success and open the doors to our future global citizens by developing potential without limitations.***

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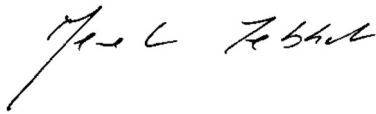


*Our former Headteacher left in July 2020, and for the current academic year we have had the benefit of a highly experienced Interim Head, who has steered us through all the problems that Covid has thrown up, including organising the provision of a robust programme of online learning.*

*Our former Headteacher had a strong interest in music, and she built music up to play a significant part of the life of the school, including various after school lessons and a strong link with Garsington Opera, which takes place locally. We hope that our 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 <https://www.friethschool.co.uk/website/home/186374>. We encourage potential applicants to visit the school; if you think you are the right person to lead Frieth on the next stage of its journey, a visit can be arranged by contacting the school office. If you need more information or would like an informal chat, you can reach me via the school office.*

With best wishes



Merelina Tebbot, Chair of Governors

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