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Dear Candidate,

The Governors, staff, children, and parents of Mickleover Primary School would like to thank you for expressing an interest in the Headship of our school. The Governing body is seeking to appoint a candidate who will possess the drive, vision and inspiration to continue leading us on our journey moving forward. The vacancy has arisen as a result of the forthcoming retirement of our current Headteacher.

We believe that this is an exciting opportunity, and that the successful applicant will be joining a happy and welcoming school. Indeed, we are a school with a strong set of values, and high aspirations for every individual child. As part of the DfE School rebuilding programme we are optimistic to be in our new building in 2026/27, which you will have an opportunity to shape.

We are, therefore, seeking an inspirational leader with the drive to deliver outstanding leadership and management within our school. The successful applicant should be a strong, approachable and supportive leader who is professional, passionate and knowledgeable about the pursuit of teaching and learning in schools; someone who has a love of working with children. A person who will be committed to the continued development and delivery of a diverse and challenging curriculum for all our children.

The person specification provides a more comprehensive list of the qualities we are looking for, but in essence we wish to appoint somebody with the drive and confidence to take the school forward; someone who builds on what is currently excellent and ensures we continue to improve by embracing the opportunities and challenges which are offered in a school such as Mickleover Primary School. As a school, we are extremely proud with the recent Ofsted evaluation which continues to rate us 'Good', a rating we have sustained over many years. However, as a school we are totally committed to building on the excellent work that has already been achieved with regard to raising standards across all areas of the curriculum whilst promoting the inclusive education of each young person in our care. As Chair of Governors it is a privilege to develop a strong working relationship with the Headteacher. Our enthusiastic governing body is committed to working alongside the head, senior leaders and wider school team to explore how, together, we can further improve the opportunities available for our pupils. Finally, you are welcome by staff and Governors to visit our school in preparation for your application and we would encourage you to also look at our website for more information. The closing date for the application is 9am Friday, 14th March 2025, with shortlisting week commencing 17th March. Interviews will be a two day process scheduled to take place on Friday 28th March and Monday 31st March

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Stephen Handsley

Chair of Governors

