

Interim Deputy Headteacher

**L8-10 depending on experience.
Temporary contract
(min. 12 months in the first instance with the potential to extend)
From September 1st, 2024**

This is an exciting career development opportunity for an aspirational and inspirational candidate. Are you currently an Assistant or Deputy Headteacher seeking increased responsibility and leadership opportunities whilst supported by an experienced leader?

Vallis First School are looking to appoint an Interim Deputy Head to form a partnership with the new Interim Executive Headteacher who takes up post in September.

Vallis First School is a popular local authority-maintained community school with supportive parents and engaged children. Our school is a 'good school' situated at the heart of Frome's thriving cultural and historical centre, perfectly positioned to develop innovative learning experiences and a vibrant curriculum.

We are seeking a Deputy Head with the skills and knowledge to take responsibility for the school for part of the week when the Executive Head is offsite. The successful candidate will support the Exec. Head in implementing and monitoring the SDP. Deputising for the Head means the candidate will also support Teaching and Learning, Behaviour, Pastoral, Health and Safety and HR processes as needed, in line with school values and procedures. We are looking for a candidate who can 'think on their feet' and use initiative, whilst also knowing when to ask for advice. We welcome candidates who can bring new ideas and fresh perspectives as we move together into this new phase for the school. We are looking for a candidate brave enough to take a risk with an initially temporary post to grow their skills and knowledge and develop their career.

We welcome applications from candidates who:

- Have proven leadership skills and the ability to inspire and motivate colleagues.
- Have excellent communication, interpersonal, management and organisational skills and an ability to build strong relationships with children, staff, and families.
- Are excited to work alongside our Exec. Head to lead Curriculum Development
- Models inspirational, creative teaching which engages all learners and excites them about school.
- Has experience of successfully leading improvement to secure high standards.
- Shares our values and possesses a passion for education.
- Are committed to enriching the curriculum with a focus on creativity alongside raising standards.
- Are nurturing and able to encourage the best from every child allowing all to shine.
- Are a friendly, caring, team-player with a good sense of humour who can complement our team and contribute to the wider life of our school.

In return we can offer:

- An experienced Headteacher to work in partnership with, who is committed to developing your professional capabilities in a supportive environment.
- A committed and dedicated team of staff and governors who care deeply about their school.
- Fantastic, talented, and creative children and families
- A nurturing school with a good range of facilities.

- Opportunities to collaborate with colleagues in our partner school.
- The opportunity to lead in a maintained community school.
- A teaching commitment of three days a week with additional leadership time when needed.
- Opportunities for CPD and leadership development
- A school in which children are genuinely at the heart of everything we do

If you believe that you could be the special person we are looking for then we would like to hear from you. To arrange a visit to the school please contact our Office Manager Helen Loughlin on 01373 462657 who will arrange a meeting with the Exec. Head who will explain how this could potentially become a permanent role in the future.

For further information and an application form please visit our website <https://vallisfirstschool.org>

Applications should be emailed to our Office Manager: Helen.Loughlin@Vallisfirstschool.org.uk

Hours of work: Full-time

Contract Type: Temporary

Closing Date: Tuesday 7th May 9am

Shortlisting Date: Tuesday 7th May

Interview Date: Friday 10th May

Commencement date: 1st September 2024

Vallis First School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants will be subject to a full Disclosure and Barring Service check before appointment is confirmed.