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Dear Candidate

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to St Bartholomew's CE Multi Academy Trust, and to All Saints' CE Primary School.

At St Bartholomew's CE Multi Academy Trust, the child is placed firmly at the centre of all that we do. The Trust was formed on 1st September 2016 and our popular, successful Trust has grown at a planned, measured and sustainable rate since that date. As our family of schools grow, we ensure that the needs of all children, families, leaders and staff are effectively met, and opportunities are maximised through strategic enhancement of our capacity and support as it is only then that children fully benefit. All schools in our Trust have made, and continue to make, significant improvements in all areas since joining, as well as bringing their own areas of strength and enhancing our team. We are very proud of our family. For information about our schools and their successes, please see the 'Our Family' document in this folder.

All Saints' CE Primary School

All Saints' serves the rural village area of Trysull on the outskirts of South Staffordshire. Many children attend from the villages of Trysull, Seisdon and Wombourne. It is a happy, caring, smaller than average school with 0.5 form entry, resulting in four mixed aged classes across the school. The behaviour for learning is consistently at least good and the delightful children are polite, interested and courteous. School characteristics in the 2024-2025 IDSR reflect that the school has a close to average percentage (21%) of disadvantaged children, a well above average proportion of children (24%) receiving SEN support, of which a well below average percentage (0%) are in receipt of an EHCP. Many of our children are more-able and have the potential to be working significantly above age related expectations. Outcomes are above national figures, absence and persistent absence are in the lowest 20%. This is a happy school, which is very well supported by parents.

The school was judged to be good in January 2023 and St. Bart's CE Multi Academy Trust was identified as providing both exceptional and effective support in the report.

I look forward to the new post-holder joining our team and working in collaboration with me and our outstanding leaders across the Trust; ensuring that each and every child at All Saints' CE Primary School receives the very best educational opportunities — as this is what all children deserve. St Bartholomew's CE MAT is a growing and successful Trust that will provide future promotional opportunities, including potential Headship opportunities in larger schools and opportunities for Executive Headship that may arise in the future. The future is very bright for All Saints' CE Primary School and we look forward to the successful candidate joining us on this exciting and rewarding journey.

Please arrange a visit to our school so you can meet our delightful children and discuss the intricacies of this role further with me. I look forward to meeting with you soon.



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Our Trust

Our motto of 'All God's Children Learning and Achieving Together' reflects our commitment to welcoming Aided, VC and community schools, with a shared ethos and vision for all our children.

We are a thriving, child-centred Trust who effectively work alongside one another to provide the very best opportunities for all children, staff, parents, and Governors.

We provide many opportunities for collaboration for our stakeholders. Children regularly participate in joint learning opportunities, including academic projects, sporting tournaments, creative arts workshops, and quizzes. Our Headteachers, Heads of School and I meet bi-weekly, to develop policy and provide continuous support to one another. Leaders at all levels have regular opportunities to work together and share expertise, and there are opportunities for class teachers to plan and moderate together, which is particularly beneficial. At least annually, all Trustees and Governors take part in a leadership conference, alongside senior leaders from each school. This joint working provides an effective supportive group that promotes high expectations, whilst encouraging each school to retain their unique identity within the St Bart's family.

We offer multiple opportunities for professional development and further career progression across the Trust, and all staff are supported by outstanding leaders, including a Director of School Improvement, a Director of Education, an Ofsted Lead Inspector, an Ofsted Team Inspector, a Director of Finance and Operations, a School Resource Management Adviser (SRMA) and myself as CEO.

In our wider central school improvement team, we have highly effective leaders who provide targeted school improvement (including Christian Distinctiveness support) and additional capacity, to support our Heads of School, Headteachers and staff across our schools. We believe that through like-minded leaders within schools joining together, all children and staff across our schools benefit from the union. With successful experience in raising standards and maintaining excellence for all our children, as leaders we have a shared understanding of the challenges and opportunities we can work on together. This includes curriculum innovation, CPD, teaching and learning, Christian Distinctiveness, ITT, and ECT development, through to creating Heads of the future, Trust-wide Executive Leaders, budget, health, safety, and estates support – whilst always keeping the children of our schools at the heart of all we do.

As a CEO, I continue to work alongside my team and empower staff and leaders at all levels. It is because of these targeted collaborations that standards continue to rise for our children, whilst retaining an effective, happy, and successful workforce. I would look forward to you discussing joining our team and working in collaboration with me and our outstanding leaders, staff, and children within All Saints' and beyond, ensuring that each and every child receives the very best educational opportunities — as this is what all children deserve.

St Bartholomew's CE MAT is a growing and successful Trust that provides exceptional CPD and clear promotional opportunities for our effective staff, through our coaching and mentoring



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programmes, training networks, as well as our leadership talent spotting programme, providing potential opportunities for larger school leadership, wider Executive Leadership and Director roles as our Trust grows. The future is very bright, and I would look forward to meeting with you and discussing the possibility of joining us on this exciting and rewarding journey, here at All Saints' and in our MAT.

Yours sincerely,

Katy Kent

Chief Executive Officer