



**LONGSPEE**

Dear Applicant

Thank you for expressing an interest in working at the Longspee Primary Academy. If you are passionate about education, special educational needs and making a difference to vulnerable young people who attend our school, I hope the information which follows gives you confidence to submit your application.

We are a special school who support young people from the age of 5-12 who present with Social, Emotional and Mental Health difficulties, associated with a range of special educational needs, including autism. We are an oversubscribed school, typically supporting around 45 pupils on roll. We welcome pupils who reside in Dorset, with the majority of our pupils living in the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole conurbation. Our pupils have Educational, Health Care Plans. Our class sizes are small and we have high staffing levels to support our pupils.

Our school maintains the community feel we pride ourselves on. Staff facilities are excellent with a large central staff area, lockers, kitchen area and parking on site. Staff wellbeing, workload and professional development are crucial to our success and we welcome colleagues who value the importance of working together to achieve a work-life balance through active communication and participation. Our school is a calm, safe and nurturing place for young people to thrive and for colleagues to work.

Our Happy, Safe, Progress mantra can be seen in all aspects of school life and forms the basis of everything we do. We provide full access to the National Curriculum and our school day is modelled on a 'traditional' primary school timetable whilst being flexible and responsive to the needs of all our pupils. As an Outstanding OFSTED rated school we look for our colleagues to work collaboratively to ensure our values and standards are maintained. Longspee Primary Academy is part of Ambitions Academies Trust which educates young people of all ages across the nursery, primary, secondary and special sectors. Consequently, opportunities for professional development are second to none. If you wish to know any more about us or would like to arrange a visit, please email [reception@Longspee-academy.co.uk](mailto:reception@Longspee-academy.co.uk) or call on 01202 380266.

I look forward to receiving your application.

Yours faithfully

Mr G O'Connell  
Principal

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