Welcome to Pocklington Junior School

Information for Candidates

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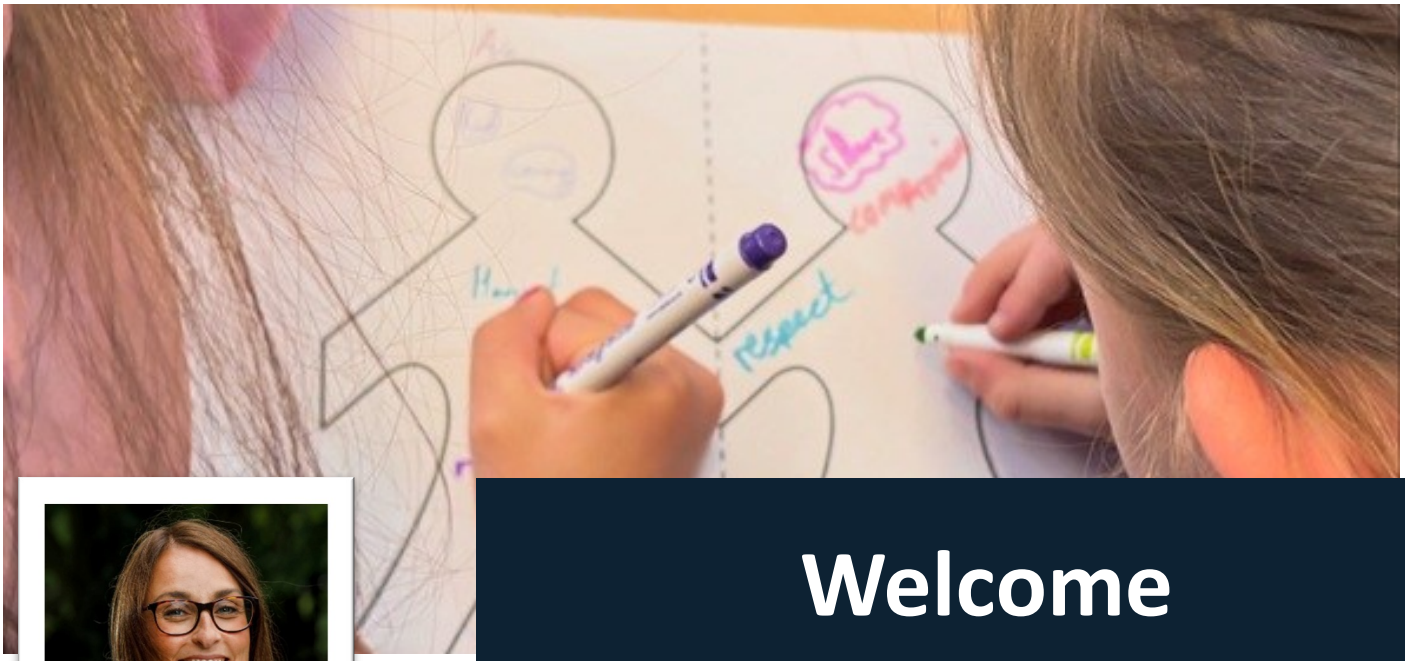


Welcome

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in joining Pocklington Junior School. I am truly honoured to welcome you to our school community. We are an average-sized junior school serving the families of the charming market town of Pocklington in East Yorkshire, and we are incredibly proud of the warm, positive environment that has been created here.

At Pocklington Junior School, everything we do is guided by our core values of HEART. These values underpin our culture and shape the way our children learn and the way our staff work together.

Honesty – We tell the truth and take responsibility for our actions.

Engagement – Eyes on, ears open, brains switched on.

Ambition – We aim high and always try our best.

Resilience – We bounce back and keep going.

Teamwork – We work together and help each other succeed.

These values are not just words on a page; they are lived and breathed every day in classrooms, in the playground and throughout our wider school community. They help us create a school where children feel safe, valued and inspired to learn.

We are committed to making learning exciting, purposeful and memorable. We know that a positive and engaging environment nurtures curiosity, creativity and a lifelong love of learning. Ensuring the happiness and success of every child is at the heart of what we do, and I feel incredibly fortunate to work alongside a team of talented and dedicated professionals who share this vision.

In October 2024, the school received a 'continues to be good' judgement from Ofsted. The inspection recognised the strength of our SEND provision, our positive culture of rewards and celebration, and the cohesive and committed staff team who work tirelessly to support our pupils. This recognition reflects the care, collaboration and professionalism that underpin life at Pocklington Junior School.

Our staff are passionate about education and about supporting one another. We work hard, but we do so in a school that is full of warmth, laughter and mutual respect. It is a place where people look out for each other, where successes are celebrated and where everyone is committed to helping our children flourish academically, socially and emotionally.

If you join our team, you will be part of a supportive and ambitious school community where we truly believe that everything we do, we do with HEART.

Thank you for considering Pocklington Junior School. I hope this pack gives you a sense of the pride we have in our school and the joy we take in being part of it.

Warm regards,
Mrs Kelly Foxton
Headteacher

Honesty | Engagement | Ambition | Resilience | Teamwork

About our School

Pocklington Junior School is an average-sized junior school. Our structure means that we have multiple classes in each year group, allowing teachers to work closely together in year group teams. This collaborative approach is something we value highly, as it enables staff to plan together, share ideas and support one another to provide the very best learning experiences for our pupils.

We are proud to be an inclusive school where every child is valued and supported to succeed. Inclusion sits at the heart of our ethos and is reflected in the way we organise our provision and the care we provide for all pupils. As part of this commitment, we host a school-run Enhanced Resource Provision (ERP) that supports children with high levels of additional need, ensuring they are fully included in the life of the school while receiving the specialist support they require.

Our school continues to grow alongside the town we serve. Recently, we were delighted to welcome two brand new classrooms to our site, built to accommodate the growth of the town. These modern learning spaces provide high-quality environments that support excellent teaching and learning.

Pocklington Junior School is highly regarded within the community and we are proud of the positive relationships we have with families. We were pleased to receive a ‘continues to be good’ judgement from Ofsted in October 2024, recognising the strength of our provision, our culture of rewards and celebration, and our cohesive and committed staff team.

The information in this pack can only offer a glimpse of life at our school. To find out more, please take some time to explore our school website and the wider information included in this pack.

Explore our school: www.pocklingtonjuniors.co.uk

Everything we do, we do with HEART

At Pocklington Junior School, our values shape everything we do. They guide how we learn, how we work together and how we support every child to flourish. We call this our HEART, and it sits at the centre of our school community.

H – Honesty

We value honesty in everything we do. Children are encouraged to tell the truth, reflect on their choices and take responsibility for their actions. By creating a culture of trust and openness, pupils learn the importance of integrity and respect for others.

E – Engagement

Learning at PJS is active and purposeful. We encourage pupils to be fully present in their learning — eyes on, ears open, brains switched on. Engagement means curiosity, asking questions, and being excited to take part in lessons, discussions and opportunities beyond the classroom.

A – Ambition

We believe every child can achieve great things. At PJS we encourage pupils to aim high and always try their best, celebrating effort as well as success. Ambition means developing confidence, setting goals and believing in what is possible.

R – Resilience

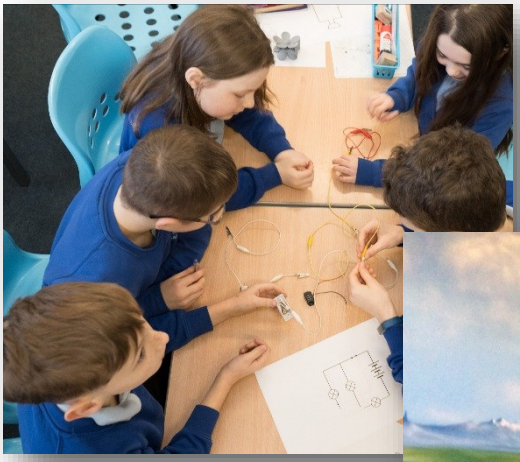
Learning can be challenging, and we want our pupils to develop the strength to keep going when things feel difficult. At PJS, resilience means bouncing back, learning from mistakes and trying again. We help children understand that perseverance is key to success.

T – Teamwork

Our school community is built on working together. Pupils learn the importance of collaboration, kindness and supporting one another. Whether in the classroom, on the playground or representing the school, teamwork helps everyone to succeed.

Together, these values create a positive, supportive and aspirational environment where children feel safe, valued and inspired to learn.

Life at Pocklington Juniors



Join Us

We are seeking an individual who embodies the following qualities:

Passionate about education: You have a deep passion for all aspects of education and its transformative power.

Enthusiastic: You approach your work with enthusiasm and energy, inspiring those around you.

Creative: You possess a creative mindset, constantly seeking innovative solutions and approaches to challenges.

Positive and resilient: You maintain a happy demeanour and have the ability to think through obstacles and find creative solutions to problems.

Open to learning: You have a love for learning and are willing to explore new ideas and approaches.

Forward-thinking: You are driven to propel the school forward, contributing to its growth and progress.

Sense of humour: You appreciate the importance of joy and laughter, and you are comfortable in an environment where laughter is common.

Charitable spirit: You are willing to participate in activities for charity, demonstrating your commitment to giving back to the community.

Playful and adaptable: You embrace the opportunity to wear festive attire, get dressed up in amusing outfits, and enjoy the occasional school event.

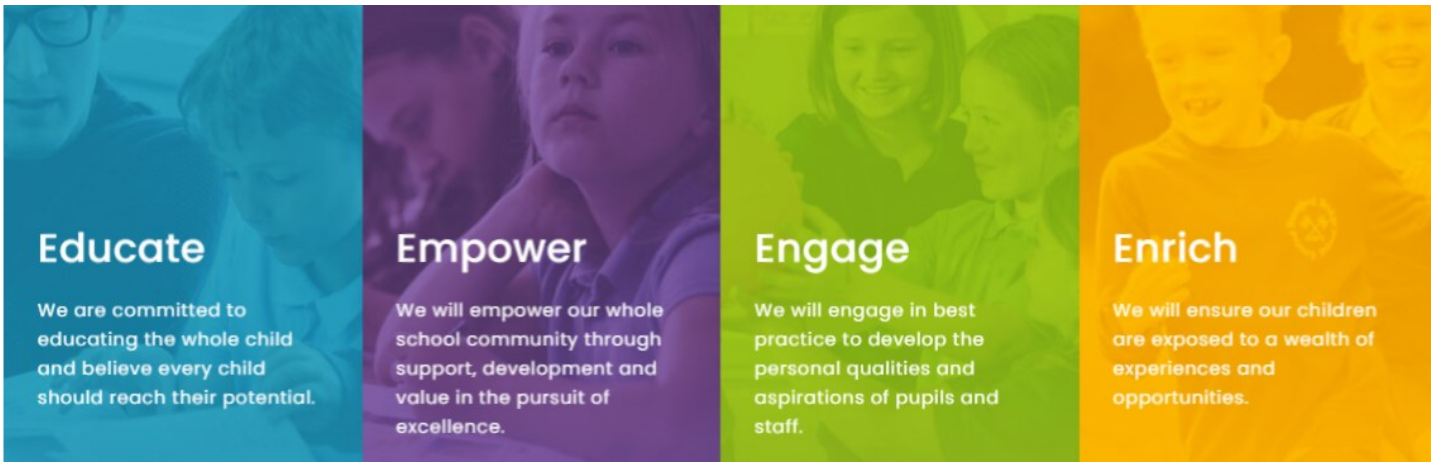
If you possess these qualities, you would be an ideal candidate for our team. If we sound like the school for you we encourage you to arrange a visit, please get in touch. 01758 302224 / admin@pocklingtonjuniors.co.uk

One Family

We are part of a wider family of schools in the Wonder Learning Partnership. The Trust is passionate about working in partnership to provide the best education for our children along with ensuring colleagues are supported in career development.

Our Trust is **child centered**, driven by an absolute desire, to **know and care for each child as an individual**. To **nurture their individual talents** and to **create within them a love of learning**. Exposing them to the **true majesty, awe and wonder of creation**. We take pride in:

- Recognising locality, rurality, community.
- Respecting the foundation, history and identity of each school.
- Ensuring every child can attend an exceptional local school.
- Providing every school who shares our mission a choice and home.
- Serving the greater good, the needs of others and our vocation as Servant Leaders.
- Being an advocate for those who we serve.

Our Trust Values

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