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Thank you for your interest in our job vacancy

South Benfleet Primary School is a well-established successful school which is counting down to its 100th birthday in 2026! Many of our parents and grandparents were educated here and although teaching methods and curriculum content have changed over the years, our ethos hasn't. We take great pride in our reputation for being **'a friendly, caring, family school'**.

Our last Ofsted inspection in March 2019 found that we continue to be a **'good school'** where:

- we have **'created a curriculum that supports pupils' academic and personal development very well.'**
- **"Pupils enjoy school...they feel that learning is challenging and say teachers make learning 'interesting and fun'"**
- **'Pupils are polite, well mannered, confident and friendly'**
- **'Parents are highly supportive'**
- **'Staff feel well supported, valued and are proud to work at the school.'**
- **'Pupils feel safe'**
- **'Teaching, learning and assessment are consistently effective across the school'**

Status

A co-educational Primary School (Academy Trust) catering for children between the ages of four and eleven

School's size and location

The school is situated on the High Road, almost midway between Tarpots and the Conservation area near the station. The school has over 400 children on roll. We are a 2 form entry school with 14 classes and a total staff of over 60. We have no mixed age classes. The school is well served by public transport- both buses and trains. There is easy access to major roads (A127, A13, A130).

Our Mission Statement

The dedicated team at South Benfleet Primary School aims to provide a happy, caring, community of learners where all are welcomed and valued and where learning is fun, real, relevant and memorable. We strive to ensure that our children acquire responsibility, tolerance and understanding and develop respect for themselves, each other, their families, our local community and the environment. We want our pupils to be co-operative and have high self-esteem and develop the motivation, knowledge and skills to prepare them for the world of tomorrow.

Our Curriculum

We have a themed curriculum and try to maximise use of our local environment wherever possible and encourage visits and visitors to enhance learning experiences and create memory moments.

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History

South Benfleet School was opened on April 9th 1926 as an all age school, to serve the educational needs of the whole of South Benfleet. The school was built to replace the 'Old School' situated in School Lane near the station (now a car park!). Later in 1930 the Infants were reorganised into a separate school on the same site. With the post war reorganisation under the 1944 Education Act and the opening of the King John Secondary School, the Junior School concerned itself with the education of children between 7 and 11, and the Infant School with children of 5- 7 years. In 1984 the two schools amalgamated to form the South Benfleet County Primary School. In September 1993 the school acquired Grant Maintained status, ending local authority control but still leaving the school in the state system. In 1999 the school's status changed again to a Foundation School and then in 2011 we became a standalone academy.

The School Buildings and facilities

Although much of the building is old and traditional in style, we work continuously to ensure that the learning environment is well maintained, bright and fit for purpose. Classrooms are regularly decorated and furniture is regularly replaced. The school grounds have both hard and soft sports and play areas and an ever popular fitness and agility trail.

As a school, we are very well resourced. Every classroom has a set of Chromebooks and a large Prowise interactive teaching screen to support learning.

I hope that this information gives you a little more information about our school community. You might also like to look at our school website and our Twitter page.

Should you require **any** further information please do not hesitate to contact us. Visits, by arrangement, are strongly welcomed and encouraged.

Thank you again for your interest in our school.

Mr Dominic J Carver
Headteacher

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