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Thank you for your interest in our job vacancy

South Benfleet Primary School is a well-established successful school, which celebrated its 90th birthday in 2016. 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 November 2015 found that we are a **'good school ... where pupils are well cared for, and staff work hard to ensure that they are happy and secure, so that they can achieve well. Pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is supported very effectively. The developing curriculum is stimulating and enriched with a variety of visits, visitors and clubs to encourage pupils to have a clear understanding of the part they play in the local and wider community.'**

I hope that the information below will help you understand more about our school community. Should you require **any** further information please do not hesitate to contact me. Visits, by arrangement, are welcomed and encouraged.

Mr Dominic J Carver

Headteacher

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. The school is well served by public transport- both buses and trains.

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.



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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. The school grounds have both hard and soft sports and play areas and an ever popular fitness and agility trail.

We are well resourced and have recently been able to provide class sets of Chromebooks to enhance learning.