

Thank you for your interest in our school.

Our Executive Headteacher, Andrew Seager, is retiring after 15 years. His last day of employment will be the 31st December 2019.

The Governors are now looking to recruit the school's next Executive Headteacher to start January 1st 2020.

Stratford School has a long-established tradition of independence and we are content with our status as a single school academy trust and have no plans to change this status. The school is financially secure and the new Headteacher should not find themselves needing to make difficult financial decisions.

We are proud of our reputation in our local community as a high-achieving, inclusive school where all students are valued. We have a resourced provision for children with autism and are proud of our work with children with Special Educational Needs.

Stratford is a genuinely interesting school. The mini-school concept (a large school divided into two smaller identical schools run parallel) is still unusual - although we are hearing of other schools considering the same approach. Providing an academic curriculum and having an inclusive approach to education is not an either/or for us – we do both. Teaching is largely to mixed attainment groups and we use a highly structured approach to schemes of work, lessons planning, marking and assessment which is more common in Shanghai than in England. Finally, we emphasise educational research when designing the school's systems and procedures.

The person we appoint will find a supportive, well-informed Board of Governors who are committed to the school.

You will find more information about the school on our website. The application form, job description and person specification are on the Jobs page.

If you would like to speak to Andrew Seager, the Headteacher, you can call him on 28th, 29th and 30th August between 10.00 am and 4pm on 07958040218.

You can also visit the school on Tuesday 3rd and 10th September and Thursday 5th and 12th September. Visits will be between 12.00pm and 2pm (this is the best time to see the school in action). To arrange a visit please contact Sue White, Office Manager s.white@stratfordschoolacademy.org.

The closing date for applications will be the 13th September at 5:00 pm. with shortlisting happening during the week beginning 16th September and interviews on the 24th and 25th September. This is to allow serving headteachers to apply and, if successful, resign before their latest resignation date for a January start.

We hope that you will find the post attractive and look forward to receiving your application.

Chair of Governors