

Teacher Recruitment Pack The Whitehouse Way

# **Head's Welcome**

Welcome to Whitehouse Primary, I'm Linda Kelly the Headteacher. Our school was purpose built to serve the growing community of Whitehouse and we pride ourselves in being at the heart of our local area, supporting the families of our children.



In this pack, we hope to give you an idea of what being a teacher at Whitehouse is all about. It is an opportunity for you to see our values as a school and to learn more about The Whitehouse Way.

We would love to show you our school in person so please give our school office a ring (01908 533288) or email <u>enquiries@whitehouseprimary.co.uk</u> for a tour or for more information.



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Inspiring Futures Through Learning

We are fortunate to be part of the Inspiring Futures Through Learning Trust which includes 15 schools in Milton Keynes and Corby.



### Aspire, Believe, Achieve......Together

At Whitehouse Primary School we have high aspirations for all of our children and do everything we can to help them to believe in themselves so that they can achieve success, both socially and academically.

#### **Aspire**

We aspire to ignite a passion for lifelong learning. We want our children to aspire to be the best they can be. Our staff teach the children what is meant by having aspirations for the future and support them to achieve their goals.



#### Achieve

#### **Believe**

We are committed to giving our children the best possible future life chances, without limits on learning or achievement. We have a genuine belief that given the right opportunities; the right support and provision, every child can succeed. We help children to believe in themselves; and believe that with hard work and the right attitude, anything is possible. We teach children about having a growth mind set - we stay positive, we value learning from mistakes, and we keep going when things become tough.



Our children have a genuine pride in themselves, their efforts and achievements. Talents and creativity are nurtured and encouraged. We celebrate each other's successes.

#### Together

We work together to ensure everyone can achieve more than they thought was possible.

### **Our Character Attributes**

When you join Whitehouse Primary School, you join a family, a community that is physically and emotionally safe; a place where you can be yourself. Children excel because they are excited about learning and are equipped to respond to challenges; they have the curiosity to ask questions and the skills to seek answers.

At Whitehouse Primary we focus on high quality work and character growth. Character means being truthful, standing up for what is right, treating others with kindness and respect. It also means showing academic courage, resilience and perseverance in class. These are our seven attributes for children and staff to work towards.







### **Crew Culture**

### Crew is a spirit, a way of being.

To be "Crew" means to pitch in to help each other, to step up and take responsibility for everyone's well-being around you.



Each day at Whitehouse begins with Crew; meeting together in house groups to check in with one another, hold one another to account and to support each other to be the best we can be with the challenges of the school day. In Crew, everyone is equal and everyone's voice is valued and respected.

As a new teacher at Whitehouse, you will be assigned a Crew to lead but you will also be part of different staff Crews. It is essential to the success of Crew that adults model the expectation and embody the attributes we are asking our children to display.

When we get Crew right, we get everything right.

## **Expeditionary Learning**

We believe our children learn best when immersed in contextual learning that has a significant impact on themselves and the world around them.







Frozen Kingdoms 'How extreme are the polar regions?" Year 6 Spring Term Learning Expedition

Throughout the year we run Learning Expeditions which are academically rigorous, cross-subject projects that are mapped against the National Curriculum standards to ensure coverage, depth and progression. Each of our Learning Expeditions focuses on particular areas of the curriculum, begins with a guiding question that sparks the children's curiosity and works towards a high quality

final product. During an expedition, pupils experience a range of exciting learning opportunities such as class visits, fieldwork, expert visitors and a product launch at the end of the journey where the children reveal the product that their phase has created. Expeditions are a unique opportunity to make a real impact on our community.





### More information on our expeditions can be found on our website!





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