

Job Title: Headteacher
Location: Barnes Infant Academy, Sunderland
Pay Range: L17—L21
Start Date: 1st September 2025 or sooner if possible
Contract Type: Permanent

We are seeking to appoint an outstanding leader to take our school forward. The successful candidate will have a strong sense of purpose and direction that will inspire staff and pupils.

Barnes Infant Academy is a vibrant, diverse, multicultural Academy which sits in the heart of Sunderland in Tyne and Wear. The Academy Trust Board and Vision Learning Trust are seeking to appoint a Headteacher who can lead a team to deliver a high quality, inclusive education in a safe and nurturing environment.

The Headteacher will be:

- An effective communicator with staff, parents/carers, and the wider community – someone who can face challenges and ensure that the best outcomes are achieved.
- Skilled in monitoring and evaluating standards of attainment, teaching, and learning and be able to create clear action plans to ensure that all children reach their highest potential.
- Able to lead an inclusive culture that promotes excellence, equality and high expectations of all staff and pupils and who understands the importance of providing broad and balanced opportunities to develop the whole child.
- An outstanding leader with a track record of professional and inspirational leadership and management, leading to high quality education, by effectively managing teaching and learning.

We can offer you:

- The opportunity to work in a diverse, multicultural Academy where diversity is celebrated.
- Enthusiastic, hardworking pupils who are eager to learn.
- A highly supportive Trust Board who value collaboration and professional development
- A committed staff team who works well together and who are keen to continue to provide the very best opportunities for children.

Visits to the school are most welcome and available on:

- Monday 3rd March 2025 at 4pm
- Thursday 13th March 2025 at 10am

- Tuesday 18th March 2025 at 4pm

Barnes Infant Academy safeguards and protects its students and staff by being committed to respond in accordance with Sunderland Local Safeguarding Partnership Procedures. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and therefore will be subject to a criminal record check from the Disclosure and Barring Service.

Barnes Infant Academy is in the process of joining Vision Learning Trust.

Closing date: 12pm 21st March 2025

Shortlisting: week commencing 24th March 2025

Interviews: Monday 31st March 2025

Completed applications should be returned to Lauren Reeves, Chief Operating Officer, at info@visionlearningtrust.co.uk by the deadline stated above.