



**South Gloucestershire
Council**
GILLINGSTOOL PRIMARY SCHOOL
Striving for excellence

SENCO Vacancy

From 1st January 2018, an excellent and experienced SenCo,

Gillingstool is a one form entry primary school close to the town centre of Thornbury. It is a friendly, welcoming, fully inclusive school where good behaviour and high expectations are the norm. The school has built a reputation for providing good care and meeting individual pupil needs especially as the school has a high percentage of disadvantaged children.

Gillingstool Primary is a good school occupying state of the art premises including a swimming pool. We share the site with New Siblands special school and are looking to further strengthen our good relationship with them.

The Governors of Gillingstool Primary School are looking to appoint an outstanding, dynamic, caring and enthusiastic SENCo with experience of working with a range of pupils who have special educational needs. This is one day per week fixed term position. There is flexibility in which day this will be.

We have motivated children who enjoy learning and want to achieve well.

We are looking for a suitable candidate who will:

- Familiar with outside agencies and paperwork linked to pupil needs.
- Have an excellent understanding of strategies and a range of interventions.
- Have high expectations of children both academically and socially
- Share proven experience and expertise of the current learning strategies for children of this age
- Work closely with colleagues as a team member
- Share the school's caring ethos and vision
- A willingness to think creatively.
- Have enthusiasm, dedication, an excellent rapport with both children and staff and a sense of humour
- Have a calm and consistent approach to working with the children
- Have good communication skills with colleagues, children and parents.
- Provide a welcoming and secure learning environment.

We will offer:

- A caring, warm and friendly school with a supportive and committed staff team.
- Happy and well-behaved children, who are eager to learn.
- A positive community school with strong links with local cluster schools and local community.
- A commitment to professional development

Gillingstool Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the safety and welfare of children and young people. All staff and volunteers are expected to share this commitment and all appointments will be subject to appropriate vetting, including an enhanced DBS disclosure check.

Some roles may need to comply with the 'Childcare Act 2006' and the 'Childcare (Disqualification) Regulations 2009' where additional disclosure of information will be required.

All applicants will be subjected to a full DBS check.

Visits to the school are important. Please email the school – office@gillingstool.org.uk if you would like to arrange a visit.

Interviews will be held on Thursday 20th December – details will be issued to the short-listed candidates.

Closing date for applications: Friday 14th November 2018, 4.00pm

For Person Specification and Application Form please visit school website www.gillingstool.org.uk