



The
**Joseph
Rowntree School**
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Dear Applicant,

We, the student council, would like to share some of our ideas about what we hope the new Head Teacher will be like. As students of Joseph Rowntree School, we are very proud of what our school stands for and what it provides for us in terms of our education, preparing us for our future lives. We really value community at the Joseph Rowntree School, and our school council is really important to making sure the students at school have their voices heard. As part of this application, we would like to share our input into what is important to us.

Firstly, we would hope that our new Head Teacher is someone who is relatable to the staff and students. We would like a Head Teacher who believes our opinions are important and takes time to listen to what our opinions are. In order for this to happen, the new Head would have to be someone who is relatable and who prioritises the students' cares and concerns. They would have to make time in their busy schedule to meet and listen to the student body through the school council and make sure that they championed the ideas that the student council present. Students on the whole would have to be their priority- both in terms of our academic achievement but also ensuring that we are cared for during our time at school.

Another quality that is important to the student council is that the Head Teacher becomes a visible part of the school day. We would really like our new Head Teacher to be around school during lessons and at breaks or lunches. We believe this is important as it shows a real commitment to how our lessons are going, making sure that students are focused and we are getting the best possible teaching to help us succeed. The Head Teacher needs to also be visible at the other times of the day so that students can see that they are at the centre of our school community and involved in the day to day business of the school.

We know that any new Head Teacher is going to want to bring new changes. We hope that our new Head Teacher will be someone who has some exciting new ideas and brings new opportunities for us as students. However, we also are really passionate about our school and wouldn't like it to change, just for the sake of change. We would hope that any new ideas that are brought along will suit the ethos of our school and help keep the character of Joseph Rowntree School what it is.

We look forward to meeting you,

Joseph Rowntree Student Council