

Karamea Area School

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Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in a teaching position at Karamea Area School.

We are located on the West Coast of the South Island between the magnificent Kahurangi National Park and the spectacular Tasman Sea. There are around 750 people in the district and employment ranges from farming to self-employed people who make excellent use of the internet connectivity. Many families enjoy a lifestyle that many dream to live – self-sufficiency, strong community connections, and a sharing of skills and support.

We are well serviced with a local medical centre, cafes, restaurants, local shop, information centre and a community-based petrol station. We have a local hairdresser, real estate agents and a daily transport service to Westport, that doubles as a rural delivery service. Local fresh produce is readily available. You have the ability to fish in the river and along the beach. Locals run interest-based groups like Art. People that enjoy fitness run “boot camps” and yoga. There are dance classes and many beautiful walking and mountain bike tracks.

Karamea Area School has a strong history and is experiencing recent, strong roll growth. The school has a very supportive local school bus service, and we actively encourage and provide opportunities for our students to participate in a wide range of events and competitions both within Karamea, the West Coast and regionally.

We strongly advise that if you are interested in joining our team, that you research our location so that you are well informed. We are very proud of our school and area and we would like to share this gem with teachers who would feel the same way and who value the opportunities that this environment provides.

We are very well supported by a dedicated Board of Trustees who value and appreciate the commitment teachers make to our community. Professional development is a priority and being a participant in the Community of Learning (Kahui Ako) provides teachers with additional collegial support.

As we are a small area school, staff are required at times to teach at a variety of levels and/or subjects. This is one of the unique features of our school. There may be an opportunity for additional remuneration for additional responsibilities.

To meet the needs of our current staffing profile we are seeking a teacher with current pedagogy who has effectively worked in collaborative learning spaces or who can demonstrate an ability to integrate and work with other classes regularly and cohesively for the benefit of all students. You will be flexible and adaptive in your learning approaches, have sound behaviour management skills, be receptive to change, share space respectfully.

Applications close at 3:00 pm on 29th March 2021. We look forward to receiving the following information from you:

1. Application form (We are unable to proceed with your application if this is not fully completed.)
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Covering letter