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Dear Principal and Hiring Committee,

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Y1-2 teaching position at Te One School on the Chatham Islands. With 18 years of dedicated experience in Foundation Phase and Special Education, I am passionate about creating inclusive, supportive learning environments that celebrate every child's unique potential.

My professional background is particularly well-aligned with the challenges and opportunities of primary education. Holding a Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase and current New Zealand Teaching Registration, I bring extensive expertise in supporting diverse learners, especially those with special educational needs. My experience working with students with autism, Down syndrome, ADHD, and intellectual disabilities has equipped me with specialized skills in curriculum adaptation, behavior modification, and individualized learning strategies.

My Makaton Certification and Sign Language qualifications further demonstrate my commitment to inclusive communication and ensuring every child can access and engage with learning. I am particularly skilled at developing tailored educational approaches that recognize and nurture each student's strengths, helping them build confidence and achieve meaningful progress.

The opportunity to teach at Te One School resonates deeply with my educational philosophy. I am excited by the prospect of bringing my comprehensive skill set to a unique island community, where personalized, responsive teaching can make a profound difference in children's educational journeys.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my experience and passion for inclusive education could contribute to your school's learning environment.

Kind regards,

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