

8 February 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

APPOINTMENT OF THE FEDERATION EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER

This week, at a meeting of the Federation Governing Body, the Governors voted to permanently appoint Mrs Kirsty Evans to the position of Federation Executive Headteacher.

She has impressed the board with her drive, dedication, passion and clarity of direction for the education of children across our three schools. In my (relatively short) time as a governor I have not seen so much change and improvement take place in such a short space of time. By far her most impressive quality is her inspirational and transformational leadership. We are delighted that she has accepted the role and we look forward to working with her for many years to come.

As Executive Headteacher she is responsible for the strategic leadership of the three schools in our federation. This means that she spends a lot of time working with class teachers, subject leaders, heads of schools and the SENDCO to ensure that your children are in receipt of a well-structured and thought-through curriculum that will equip them with the skills that they need to succeed in their next stage of education and the wider world.

She is front and centre in the leading the Federation but because of the nature of her role across three schools, you may not see her at your child's school every week. This does not mean that she is not present or available to discuss issues that you have but most of the time you should escalate any concerns, issues or worries you have through your child's class teacher and Head of School. Our Heads of Schools together with the SENDCO and Executive Headteacher form the Federation Senior Leadership Team (SLT). They are all experienced educators and

exceptional leaders in their own right. On a day-to-day basis, our Heads of School and SENDCO will be able to handle most issues that you have about your child's education and Kirsty will be on hand to work with them and with you as needed.

Mrs Evans is passionate that every single child in our federation receives an exceptional education in a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment. She has been working tirelessly over the last five months to put changes in place that ensure that this continues to happen and that our schools provide an environment in which your child can thrive. Her continued success, and that of the wider Federation, could not be assured without the wonderful support that she has received from our incredibly hardworking teaching and support staff and you as parents and carers. I hope that you will join me in wishing Mrs Evans every success in her role as our Federation Executive Headteacher.

On behalf of the governing body, I would like to wish you and your families an enjoyable and restful half term break.

Chris Fordham

Chair

Governing Body of Blakeney, Pillowell and Walmore Hill Community Schools' Federation