



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers,

New Headteacher Appointment

The Directors of the Frassati Catholic Academy Trust, The Local Governing Body of St. Mary's Catholic School and the Diocese are delighted to announce the appointment of Mrs Rosemary Akehurst to succeed as Headteacher of our school from January 2022.

The Appointment Committee had identified a very stringent and rigorous list of required criteria for applicants to the post in order that the new Headteacher would have the ability to maintain, and also develop upon, the aspirational educational standards of St Mary's.

Following a very rigorous interview process involving representation from all stakeholders, it was agreed that Mrs Akehurst met and exceeded our requirements. Mrs Akehurst is currently in her 5th year as Assistant Headteacher at High Wycombe C of E School, where she has also successfully led the SEND provision in the School, Physical Education, Personal Social, Health and Citizenship Education (PSHCE) and RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) as well as Mathematics across the School. She has experience in both primary and secondary education, providing a good foundation for preparing pupils for transition at the end of Y6 and has led developments in Teaching and Learning across her school.

In sharing this wonderful news with you, I should also like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Anton Dworzak for his total and professional support to the school over the past two terms and during the recruitment process. We are indebted to him for his commitment, care and focus on supporting St Mary's and wish him well in his future endeavours.

And to finish I have included a few words from your new Headteacher who is looking forward to starting to work alongside staff, you and your children and the Parish Community to which St Mary's belongs.

"I am delighted to be joining St. Mary's Catholic Primary School in January 2022 as Headteacher and I view it as a privilege to be chosen to lead the further development of this wonderful school. As a former pupil of St. Mary's myself, I have always been aware of the unique culture, Catholic values and ethos which permeates throughout the school. I am excited about being part of this again.

As the leader of the school, my main job is to make sure that your child is safe, happy and achieving their full potential. I want to lead a community, with Christ at the Centre, where everyone is valued and respected for their unique God given talents and where these are nurtured to allow each and every one to be the best they can be.





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I recognise the hard work and commitment of all the staff, governors, parents, and members of the wider school community to date. I look forward to being part of this great team, on its continued journey and future success. Finally, I look forward to meeting you all personally in the near future”.

I hope to meet you all soon and, in the meantime, hope you all have a wonderful Half term break

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Claire Robinson'.

Mrs Claire Robinson

Chair of Governors