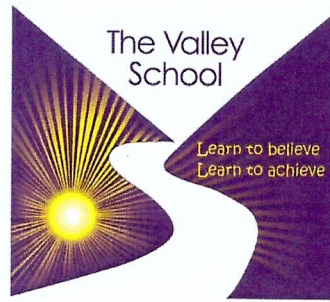


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Dear Pupils, Parents and Carers,

REF: OUR NEW HEADTEACHER

On behalf of the Governing Board, I am delighted to be able to share with you that the process to find the right person to take over what I will always consider to be the best job in the world has been a great success. Pupils and staff were fully involved and their views were taken into account.

Mr David Pearce, who is currently Headteacher of another special school in Hertfordshire, has accepted the post and will join us in September. I have worked with Mr Pearce for some years and I am confident that he shares the beliefs and values that underpin everything that matters at The Valley School. I know that he has the vision and skills to lead the school into its next stage of development and will take you all into our new and exciting new premises.

He has asked me to share this message with you:

"I am thrilled to be joining The Valley School community at the start of the Autumn Term. As a local Special School Headteacher, I am already familiar with The Valley School and have enjoyed working alongside your leadership team at the Special School forums. I had a lovely time with your children when I visited the school and I plan on attending familiarisation visits over the next few months to begin building some great relationships with the pupils and staff. I look forward to meeting you all at the earliest opportunity."

I know that you will welcome him warmly and that you will support him to settle into the school.

For my part, I am looking forward to sharing my final term with you all and celebrating together in many ways, now that restrictions are likely to be eased over the next few months. Thank you again for everything you have done to reduce the impact of the pandemic and to strengthen the resilience of our pupils.

As we head towards the Easter break, I wish you well and trust that you will stay safe and well.

Kindest regards to you,

Corina Foster
Headteacher



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