



SAINT PETER'S METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Headteacher Rob Garratt

8th June 2018

Appointment of Executive Headteacher and Head of School for St Peter's Methodist Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers

The Governing Bodies of St Peter's Methodist Primary and Boughton-under-Blean and Dunkirk Methodist Primary are pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Simon Way to the post of Executive Headteacher, to lead both schools from 1 September 2018 for a 12 month period. He will be supported in this role by Mrs Duffy who will become Head of School, also for 12 months. Attached to the end of this letter you will find an overview of the new leadership structure.

Mr Way is an experienced Headteacher; he took on the headship of Boughton in September 2015, having been head of Victoria Road school in Ashford for 4 years. Prior to that he was Deputy head at Diocesan and Payne Smith school in Canterbury.

What is an Executive Headteacher?

An Executive Headteacher is responsible for two or more schools. It is becoming quite common for primary and secondary schools to share experienced Headteachers in this way. In our case, Mr Way will be responsible for the strategic direction of both St Peter's and Boughton, including overseeing school development plans, key budget spend and ensuring a co-ordinated Methodist ethos across both schools. He will be working closely with senior leadership teams across both schools to ensure we maintain the consistently 'Good' or better level of teaching and learning for the children. You can expect to see him working across both school sites every week.

The post is a one year interim position while we shape in detail the longer-term vision for St Peter's.

In his new role as Executive Headteacher, Mr Way will be spending an equal proportion of his time at both schools. Mrs Duffy will run St Peter's on a day to day basis when Mr Way works at Boughton.

How will this affect my child(ren)?

Our aim over the next year is that there will be more opportunities for the schools to share resources, ideas and curriculum expertise to the benefit of children across the full primary stage.



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When can we expect to hear more?

Mr Way will be informally supporting the Governors this term as we make arrangements for the new leadership structure across the school for September. He will also be spending some time at St Peter's this term, getting to know the staff and children.

Who can I talk to if I have further questions?

If you have any further questions, you can contact the governors via chair@st-peters-canterbury.kent.sch.uk or speak to Mr Garratt or Mrs Duffy.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Gaby Roch
Chair of Governors

St Peter's Methodist Primary School
Senior Leadership Team
From September 2018



Executive Headteacher

eht@st-peters-canterbury.kent.sch.uk

N.B. This email address will be active From September

I am extremely excited about joining the St Peter's team and am very much looking forward to September. I will be entering my eighth year as a Headteacher and am certain I can use this experience to add to the excellent work of Mr Garratt, Mrs Duffy and the rest of the staff. I look forward to meeting and getting to know the children and families of St Peter's school in due course.

Mr Way, the Executive Headteacher, (EHT) will lead with overall strategic responsibility and accountability for leadership and management, staffing, provision and resources at St Peter's Methodist Primary School.

Having been a member of the St Peter's family for the last 12 years, I have had the privilege of teaching many of your children and getting to know your families, whilst working alongside our dedicated team of staff. I am so looking forward to September and continuing to be part of leading such a caring, hardworking team as we seek to do our very best to help your children thrive and develop as learners and as young people.

Mrs Duffy will provide the day to day management for St Peter's Methodist Primary School as Head of School (HOS) ensuring continual improvement and high quality, engaging and fulfilling education for all pupils and further development in standards of teaching, learning and achievement in accordance with statutory requirements. She will also continue to oversee the inclusion needs of the school.



Mrs Duffy

Head of School

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Mrs Pickles is the Assistant Headteacher and Phase Leader for Key Stage 2.

She provides support for the Head of School and the pupils, parents and staff in Classes 3, 4, 5 and 6.

Mrs Pickles also leads English across the school.



Mrs Beard is the Phase Leader for Early Years and Key Stage 1.

She provides support for pupils, parents and staff in Rainbow Class, Class 1 and Class 2.

Mrs Beard also leads Maths across the school.