

6th September 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians

It is with great delight I would like to introduce myself as the new Head of Serlby Park Primary Academy. The children and staff have already made me feel very welcome and I feel very privileged to be part of this school community.

Firstly, let me tell you a little bit about myself. I have most recently been Assistant Principal at St John's C of E Academy in Worksop, teaching within a Foundation Class. I live in Doncaster and am a very proud parent of 3 children (all boys) ranging from the ages of 11 to 15, who are passionate about sport. I enjoy spending my time supporting them in their activities (cricket, hockey, football to name a few). As a family we enjoy riding our pony called Tammy, field trialling with our dogs and camping holidays.

My priority as Head of Primary Academy is to ensure that Serlby Park Academy continues to move forwards striving for excellence in which your children can achieve their full potential in their academic, creative, personal, physical, moral and spiritual development. One of my many aims will be to focus on ensuring that all children learn and make good progress, experiencing the highest quality teaching and learning within a happy, safe and secure environment.

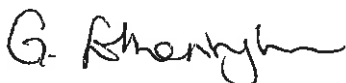
I firmly believe that working in partnership with you as parents/guardians is vital to ensure your children find school a positive and rewarding experience. I am looking forward to getting to know you all. I aim to be outside on the school playground before and after the school day starts and ends. I would welcome you to come and introduce yourselves. However, if you do need to speak to me more urgently my door is always open, please contact the school office and I will aim to meet you as soon as possible.

Over the coming year, I intend to introduce more opportunities for parents/guardians to work with me and our Academy to become more involved in their children's learning. I would really value your opinions on how we can all work together to provide our children with the best quality education. I would like to invite you to join me for a short presentation in the Primary Hall on Wednesday 13th September at 2.30pm, and hope you are able to attend.

Unfortunately, due to health and safety, we have had to redirect your path to Primary whilst our new and exciting outdoor area for Early Years is completed. Please bear with us and follow the top path to Primary. Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) pupils will temporarily need to enter through our main double doors and turn left down the corridor. Space is very tight so please leave pushchairs outside.

Finally, a date for your diary: **Primary Picnic**, parents and guardians welcome to join us from 12.00 pm until 3.00 pm, Friday 22nd September. Further details will be sent to you nearer the time.

Kind regards



Mrs Gill Fotheringham
Head of Primary Academy