

11th January 2008

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have two exciting pieces of news to tell you about on behalf of the school's Governing Body.

Firstly, I am pleased to announce that our excellent Interim Headteacher, Mr Wade, has secured his first permanent Headship in a school in NE Hampshire. He will be starting there at the beginning of the Summer term. We have been very fortunate to have him lead our school for these two terms; he has identified how better to support pupils to improve academic achievement and has put in place several initiatives which have encouraged good behaviour to flourish within the student body. We all wish him well in his new post.

Secondly, I am delighted to be able to tell you that the Governing Body has agreed the appointment of Janet Southern as our Headteacher from Easter 2008. Mrs Southern will remain the Headteacher during the consultation process about potential amalgamation with Yateley Infant School. If amalgamation is agreed, she will remain in post until the new school opens. As you will be aware from documents sent out earlier, this process is likely to take a period of four or five terms from Easter 2008.

The staff and governors alike are very pleased to have Mrs Southern, an experienced Headteacher, lead our school, and are eager to make these next two years the best the school has seen. As part of the handover of leadership from Mr Wade during this term, she will be working 3 days a week with our pupils to boost their learning and to stretch the more able children.

Once Mrs Southern is fully in post, there will be many opportunities for you to get to know her. I am sure you will join me in welcoming her to St Peter's and will support her fully in her commitment to ensuring that every one of our children receives the best possible education.

Yours sincerely



John Dival
Chair of Governors
St Peter's CE Junior School