

AMALGAMATION UPDATE



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Dear Parents/Carers, Pupils and Staff,

With just one week to go before the end of the Spring Term, we have some important updates to share with you as we approach the official amalgamation of the schools. As you know, we will return from the Easter holiday to the newly amalgamated **Pinner Park Primary School**. With all the preparation that has been happening in the background, the transition should be very smooth for everyone.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW HEADTEACHER

We are delighted to inform you that we have made an appointment to the post of Headteacher for Pinner Park Primary School. Mr Nick Waldron, currently Headteacher of a school in Buckinghamshire, will join us in September 2019.

Mr Waldron has been a Headteacher for 19 years and has experience of school leadership in a range of contexts. Having graduated from the University of Lancaster (St. Martin's College) with a degree in Mathematics and Education, he started his teaching career at a large, multi-cultural school in the London Borough of Redbridge. He then moved to teach in Uxbridge at a large, town-centre junior school.

Mr Waldron moved back to Buckinghamshire as Deputy Headteacher of his local school, becoming the Headteacher soon after. During his time at the school, he was seconded to the Local Authority as a Consultant Headteacher within the School Improvement Team; a role he continued for two years. Subsequently, he has led two further primary schools in Buckinghamshire and has had the privilege of leading a brand new primary school within a new housing development, overseeing its growth from the outset.

Mr Waldron lives in Buckinghamshire with his wife and two teenage daughters. He is an active member of his local church, enjoys sport and music, and, having grown up in Bath, he remains a vocal supporter of Bath Rugby Club.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

We look forward to welcoming all the children and their families back to the newly amalgamated **Pinner Park Primary School** on **Wednesday 24th April** and would like to reassure you that there will be no major changes to day-to-day arrangements as we start the Summer Term.

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Chair of Governors

Pinner Park Infant & Nursery School

LEADERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SUMMER TERM

For the Summer Term there will be a Co-Headteacher arrangement with Miss Tait and Mr English sharing the leadership of the combined school for the term. Both will be responsible for over-seeing all aspects of the school's work during this first term and helping to make the start of the new school a success. Miss Tait and Mr English will be working across the full age range of the school and working together to maintain our very high standards.

Miss Tait and Mr English have already been working closely in preparation for the amalgamation in April. This close partnership means both have a good working knowledge of the whole school. Other colleagues from both schools have also been working together during this time to develop even stronger links.

Each Headteacher will be happy to talk to any parents or carers, however they will be best placed to support with the age group they currently represent. Therefore, if you have any questions about Early Years or Year 1 or 2, Miss Tait would be the first port of call and for children in Years 3 to 6, Mr English will be your go-to person.

The Co-Headteachers will be liaising with Mr Waldron throughout the Summer Term in preparation for him joining the school in September. Mr Philips, an experienced local Headteacher, will continue his one day a week support which he has been doing in the Junior School since September.

Paul Forrest

Chair of Governors

Pinner Park Junior School