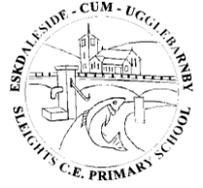


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5th September 2017

Dear families,

I am incredibly excited to be writing the first letter of the year to you as your new Headteacher! It was lovely to greet the children into school this morning in their brand new uniforms – everybody looked very smart! Over the coming days and weeks, I am looking forward to getting to know you all and working with your children and the excellent staff at Sleights (who, I must say, have also made me feel very welcome!)

I am so proud to have been appointed as your new Headteacher. I know that Miss Spencer was a brilliant Head and I can't wait to get started to continue her great work.

A little bit about me - Before coming to Sleights, I was the Deputy Headteacher and Y2 teacher in a town school. Before that, I was the Assistant Headteacher and Y6 teacher in another local school. I bring a wealth of experience from my previous posts and am extremely excited to now be leading this lovely village school.

I want Sleights to be a school where everybody feels welcome. Please do not hesitate to come and meet me and share your thoughts on our school.

Some new faces

We have a number of other new members of staff in school this term. We welcome Mrs Rebecca Kipling to our Pre-School team. In addition, Mrs Anne King, a highly experienced teacher, who will be teaching Class Three on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Mrs Burton will teach the rest of the week. This arrangement will continue until Miss Lucy Stubbs joins the Sleights team later in the term. Over the coming weeks, Miss Stubbs will be in school to meet the children.

Finally, we also welcome Miss Amy Noble to the school. Miss Noble will be completing her teacher training placement in Class Two, under the supervision of Mrs Roe.

Open classroom / meet and greet

Next Tuesday (12th September) we will be holding a short afternoon session where all parents, carers and families are welcome to come into school to meet their child's class teacher and have a look at some of the work they have been doing in their first couple of days back. The classrooms will be open at **3.00pm** and teachers will be available for a chat. I will also be in the hall to meet you. Could any families wishing to attend please use the front door only, thank you. We look forward to seeing you there.

Nuts in school

For health and safety reasons, may I just remind all families that Sleights is a **nut free school**. This means that there should not be any products containing nuts, or nut traces, in any school packed lunches. Thank you in anticipation for your support with this.

All future newsletters will now be sent home on a Friday, rather than a Tuesday.

I look forward to working with you all.

Scott Grason
Headteacher