



St Bartholomew's CE Primary School

Tuesday, 12 April 2016

Dear parents/carers,

It is with great pleasure and enthusiasm that I write to you to introduce myself as the new Head Teacher at St Bartholomew's.

From first walking in to this school, through interview and finally, working here, I have felt welcomed. This is a wonderful school and I hope to work with the St Bartholomew's family to develop it further and build on the strong relationships that already exist. I was attracted to the position by so many positive details. The fact it is a church school, displaying Christian values, the fantastic school grounds, welcoming staff but most of all, the superbly behaved children that are a credit to the school and you as parents/carers.

I feel honoured and privileged to be in this role and would like to thank Mrs Parker and Mrs Hutchinson for the immense contributions that they made during their time here. I would also like to offer a huge St Bartholomew's welcome to our new Year 5/6 teacher, Mr Owen Papaioannou, I am sure that you will make him feel truly welcome. I know, like myself, he is excited by the challenges that lie ahead.

I am also delighted to report that the school has been recognised nationally for achievements in Music, Science and school games, achieving Silver Science mark, School Member of Music mark and Silver Sainsbury's school games. This is a great achievement and congratulations to all those involved in raising the profile of the school.

We have many exciting activities planned for the summer term and hopefully, we will be blessed with warm and sunny weather. I look forward to a happy and prosperous term and meeting you all.

Best wishes,

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Head Teacher

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