Priory Junior School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, our Headteacher, Mrs Keefe will be retiring at the end of this term and in January we began a search for Mrs Keefe's replacement.

After 3 months of advertising, shortlisting, selection days and rounds of interviews, a very rigorous recruitment process in search of our new Headteacher, I am pleased to announce that Mrs Welch has been appointed as Priory Junior School's new Headteacher as of September 2025.

Many of you already know Mrs Welch who has been with the school for over 6 years, initially as Assistant Head and for the past four years as Deputy Head - being a key member of the Senior Leadership Team. Mrs Welch was the outstanding candidate out of all the candidates. Throughout the recruitment process, we were impressed with Mrs Welch's experience, skill and new ideas for the school. She is fully committed to leading the school forward to provide our children the best possible outcomes from their time here.

As a governing board we are excited to have Mrs Welch as our new headteacher, to lead our school into the future and look forward to the development and implementation of our vision and future strategy.

We look forward to working with and supporting Mrs Welch when she takes up the new role and wish her success in her new role. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating her on her appointment.

Regards,

Stephen Hardy Chair of Governors







