

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Members of the School Community,



I am writing this letter to introduce myself as the new Executive Headteacher of Culverstone Green Primary School, a position I am delighted, excited and enthused to be starting. My appointment will enable the school, community and Trust to move the school forward so that it can fulfil the potential it undoubtedly has. My role within the Trust's Central Team is to provide a range of support to all schools but also to step in and take on a more active day-to-day role when required.

I have a 22+ year successful career and track record in education; the last eleven years as a Headteacher. During this time, I have also supported schools within the Local Authority as well as guiding Wrotham Road Primary through three Ofsted Inspections, improving the outcomes on each occasion. I am confident that I will be able to bring this experience and knowledge to support the school to make the changes that are needed.

With any new appointment there will undoubtedly be some trepidation and a degree of anxiety amongst the whole school community about the new leadership regarding what they will bring and what changes will be made. I would like to reassure you that any changes will be in a measured, considered and informed fashion, involving members of the community where possible and communicated to you all in an open and transparent fashion.

As an educator, I believe it is my role to ensure that every child has the best possible opportunities to succeed. I believe it is incumbent on me to ensure that we open children's eyes and hearts to the world and to the very exciting opportunities that are available. I believe in providing learning experiences that are as broad as possible – this is not merely a soundbite – to ensure that every child can succeed.

As a parent, I am acutely aware of the importance of a good start in life; for me this means giving the very best I can so that they too can dream, they too can start to explore this amazing world in a confident and capable fashion. I want them to be able to believe that anything is possible and to understand life in its broadest sense, not just something limited to traditional academic subjects.



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Key to the start of any new role is the building of effective relationships. This will start from Day One and will continue throughout my time at Culverstone Green. These relationships recognise that children are the number one determining factor in any decisions made, and that parents are key partners in children's education and provide valuable and useful insight to understanding how effective school is.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> December at 9am, I will provide the first opportunity for parents, carers and members of the school community to come together and share their thoughts, so that I can build an accurate picture of what life is like and what you feel is important. The meetings will give me a chance to expand on my vision for education and, most importantly, to hear from you about what you feel are the strengths of the school and what you would like to change.

You won't have to wait that long for an opportunity to meet me, as I aim to be on the gate in the mornings and afternoons as often as possible; please feel free to come and say hello. At the end of the week, I will be sending a 'Dates for your Diary' communication to clarify what is coming up over the rest of this term. Please bear with me as we start to re-establish standards that were raised at the Parent Forum on Monday.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Sarah Jack  
Executive Headteacher, The Golden Thread Alliance.