

## **Harrow Way Community School**

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## Dear Parent

I am writing to inform you that I have been asked by the Local Authority to become the temporary Acting Headteacher at Brighton Hill Community College in Basingstoke for two terms from September. Although this request was only made very recently. I have consulted with my Senior Leadership Team and Chair of Governors before deciding to accept this invitation. In terms of day-to-day Headship, I will therefore be spending most, but by no means all, of my working time in Basingstoke and returning to Harrow Way regularly during this period and fully on the first day of the Summer Term, 2012. As this is a temporary arrangement I wish to emphasise to parents and other members of the Harrow Way community that I will be coming into Harrow Way at various times during the working week and that I will still be presiding over significant events in the Harrow Way calendar. For example, I will be making the formal presentations to prospective parents at our Harrow Way Opening Evening on Monday 19th September, and I will also be hosting our annual Presentation Evening in November. I am gratified that the huge and sustained improvements that we have been able to make at Harrow Way mean that the Local Authority and Senior Leaders and Governors in our school community are confident that the school will continue to thrive in my absence. Indeed, the school's annual improvement plan has already been established and agreed with senior staff and the Governing Body. We have extremely effective teaching and support staff at all levels in our school and I know that they will continue to serve the school community very well.

I am delighted to announce that the Acting Headteacher at Harrow Way during my absence will be Mr Mark Warren, who is of course currently Deputy Head. Mr Warren has the full and loyal support of staff and Governors and I know that he will make an outstanding contribution as the leader of our school community for the next two terms. Although Mr Warren will (as will I at Brighton Hill) be Acting Headteacher, he has full delegated authority and powers as the Headteacher and will fulfil all elements of the role. I am sure parents will wish to join with me in congratulating Mr Warren on this temporary appointment and I know that you will wish to give him the excellent support that you have accorded me.

We are in the process of making some additional temporary appointments in leadership positions throughout the school and details of these will be made available in my "Head's Corner" section of our "Eagle" Newsletter published at the end of term.

If you have any questions in relation to these temporary arrangements from September, please do not hesitate to contact me during the remainder of this term. Any issues that arise after that will, of course, need to be raised with your new Acting Headteacher, Mr Warren.

Thank you all for your support.

Yours sincerely

C E CURRIE **Headteacher** 















