

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted and honored to have been appointed as the new headteacher of Linaker Primary School and I'm very keen to get to know all our pupils, parents, carers governors and staff.

From my experience of being a Headteacher and Deputy Head teacher for the last 12 years, I know that a successful and happy school depends on all of us working together.

I am pleased to return to Southport where I started my career as a teacher over 20 years ago. I have worked across two local Authorities in both Warrington and St Helens leading both a large two form entry Primary school and a smaller one form entry primary school. While I have enjoyed my time serving those school I feel that I am returning home to the borough in which I live and feel a special connection. Education is my passion and I strive to ensure that all children have the best start in life and I am sure that you will agree that working together can provide this.

Linaker Primary School has recently been through a difficult period but I am confident that working together and supporting each other over the coming year and beyond will only improve the school and make it a school where together we flourish and grow. I am looking forward to learning more about the school so that any developments we make in this new chapter, are supported by the whole school community.

As parents and carers, you make an important contribution to our children's achievements, and I'm excited to build on the relationship between you and our school for everyone's benefit.

We will be holding a meet the teacher event on Thursday to enable you to find out what your children will be learning this year and how you can support them to achieve at the highest level. I will be popping in and out of classrooms during these meetings and look forward to seeing you there. We are also planning a number of other events over the term at which I hope we can continue to get to know each other.

Can I please encourage you all to ensure you have the school app on your phones and also follow the school on the school Twitter account so you can keep up to date with events in school.

I am hoping to be on the school playground before and after school as much as possible, so please do say hello.

You're also welcome to contact me at by contacting the school office or emailing the school email.

Many thanks in advance for your continuing support,



Jan Holmes  
HEADTEACHER