

Bridport Primary School

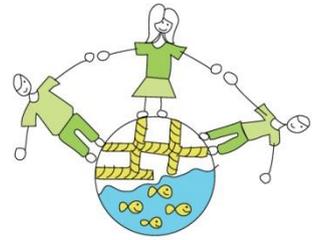
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'Believing in a world of possibilities'

26th May 2017

Dear BPS families,

You may have heard from your children that our superb deputy head, Jane Delany has secured herself a new post for September 2017 and will leave us at the end of this school year. Jane has been such a big part of BPS for such a long time and has been instrumental in securing great teaching and learning here.

We are obviously delighted for Jane; She is ready for a new challenge and deserves this promotion. She will be joining the Salisbury diocese as a school improvement partner. Her role will be to work alongside a group of schools utilising her organisational and analytical skills particularly to help them to focus on improving their schools. She will also be able to use her creativity and bring experience and fresh ideas to bear on new settings.

We will miss her so much here and I will particularly miss a loyal and trusted partner in leading our school on the next part of our journey. I know you will join with me in wishing her well and will in your own ways ensure she hears directly from those of you who know her well.

I wanted to wait until I had news of her replacement to tell you of Jane's departure. I am now able to do that having interviewed for a new DHT yesterday. We had an amazing field of applicants which in this climate is something to be proud of; it seems senior leaders from near and far want to work in our school. The candidates we interviewed were very strong and gave us the difficult challenge of choosing between them for this key role. We knew you would share our view that we needed someone who really wanted to be here at BPS and was keen to share in making our school the very best it can be in every way possible.

We are delighted to welcome to our team Adam Gough; Adam is a deputy head from Yetminster primary school. He presented himself as a confident and committed school leader as well as an excellent classroom practitioner. His references were exemplary as were his interactions with staff and children during the interview day. We all felt that he 'fitted' us well whilst bringing something new and fresh to our team. Adam is married with a young daughter and loves sport of all sorts; he has competed in triathlons and is keen to get involved as much as possible with our school community. We know you will find him approachable and warm to him very quickly.

We look forward to introducing you to Adam in the new school year; he will visit over the next half term so look out for a new face out and about. We know you will give him a proper BPS welcome and help him and his family to feel a part of us very quickly.

'Goodbyes' are hard but made a little easier when accompanied by a positive 'hello' – we wish Jane and Adam every possible success as they take the next big steps in their careers.

Yours with kind regards, Debbie



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