

The Grange School, Staverton Road, Daventry, Northamptonshire. NN11 4HW. Wednesday 29th March 2023

Dear parents & carers,

Earlier in the term, I interviewed applicants for a new post on our staffing team - Assistant Head Teacher (AHT). The new Assistant Head will be a part of the Senior Leadership Team, along with myself and my Deputy Head Teacher (DHT), Mrs Elaine Wagg. The role of Assistant Head Teacher is one that is often found in large primary schools such as ours, and will give us the capacity to continue to improve all aspects of school life for our children.

The Assistant Head Teacher role will be a leadership role, but will also involve regular teaching. The AHT will not have responsibility for their own class, but will be working alongside teachers across the school, in order to continue to develop the quality of teaching and learning in the school. The AHT may also teach different groups of children in smaller groups, in order to accelerate the progress they are making.

I am delighted to tell you that Mrs Laura Waldock was the best candidate interviewed and was offered the position, which she readily accepted. Her current middle leadership role in school means she is well-placed to begin her new role after the Easter holidays. I am, therefore, writing to you to inform you of some changes in the Year 4 staffing team that will be in place.

In order to free up some of Mrs Waldock's time for increased leadership responsibility, I have decided to place another permanent teacher into Year 4. We have appointed Miss Holly Greene to the Year 4 team, who will be working alongside Mrs Waldock and Mr Pagett, in order to ensure that Year 4 children continue their extremely successful year in school. Miss Greene has spent some time in school, teaching Year 4 children, and impressed us in the classroom and with her performance at interview. I want to stress that the Year 4 team will have three teachers for much of the time, especially at the start of next term. Mrs Waldock plans to initially work alongside Miss Greene and Mr Pagett, in order to ensure that the children remain settled. As Mrs Waldock assumes more leadership responsibilities, Miss Greene will teach Maple Class, but will always be supported by Mrs Waldock as required. We do not envisage any disruption whatsoever to Maple Class's education and will ensure that they benefit from having an Assistant Head Teacher attached to their year group. Mrs Waldock will, of course, accompany the children on their residential visit.

I am sure that you will join me in congratulating Laura on her promotion and we look forward to continuing to improve our school for your children.

Kind regards,

V. M. M. Masters

















