

## Phoenix St. Peter Academy

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Dear Parents, carers, children and staff,

## **Deputy Headship at Phoenix St. Peter Academy**

Earlier this month I shared the news that Mr. Tim Culpin as Executive Headteacher and myself as Associate Headteacher will be leading our school 2021-22. Thank you to everyone who filled in our survey asking for feedback or spoke to our Trust visitors yesterday, one of the significant concerns you expressed was too much change in leadership and uncertainty.

We are also aware of your concerns around Mrs. Barnard, our Assistant Headteacher and SENDCo leaving the school at the end of the summer holidays.

Therefore, we are delighted to share with you the fantastic news that Mrs. Freeman, one of the experienced Deputy Headteachers from Northfields St. Nicholas Primary in North Lowestoft will be joining the Phoenix team, full-time, for the next academic year.

Mrs. Freeman will be taking the lead on SEND, inclusion, attendance and behaviour – this is her current role at Northfields. She brings a wealth of experience to this role and has previously worked at Kirkely High, Gisleham Middle and Pakefield High schools in a wide variety of roles. She has a real understanding of and commitment to our local community and previously worked at Phoenix supporting sport when it was Meadow Primary.

I hope that this news helps to reassure you that we are taking your concerns and feedback on-board and we are all committed to working with you in making further improvements to Phoenix. There will be a stable and experienced senior leadership team of Executive Headteacher, Associate Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher.

Unfortunately, my daughter has symptoms of Covid at home, therefore until this is confirmed by PCR I am isolating and working from home as per national rules. So sadly, I may not be in school before the end of term and the summer holidays.

I would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer break and look forward to school reopening on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September for children.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. Matthew Jordan Associate Headteacher

