



Ivy Lane School

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Dear Parents,

Re: Headteacher Position

I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Debbie Burchett had been temporarily appointed as Acting Head for Terms 1 and 2 for the next academic year.

Mrs Burchett has many years of school leadership, recently as Assistant Head at Ivy Lane – so she has a wealth of experience and knowledge. She has recently taken a 'sabbatical' to travel the world this year so will be 'fresh' and ready for the challenge.

Mrs Burchett and Mr Cannings will be working closely at Ivy Lane for several days in June & July to ensure a smooth transition. In September she will be supported by the team at Pickwick Academy Trust.

Personally, I think this is the ideal temporary solution, and I know the staff team are pleased with the interim arrangements and are fully supportive of Mrs Burchett.

The board of Pickwick Academy Trust and I are interviewing for a permanent Head in early July, to start on 1st January 2019. The views of the school community will be sought ahead of this about the qualities and experience required of candidates.

We will inform the school community once a decision has been made in July.

Yours sincerely

Ros Darby
Chair of Governors

