



Cliffe VC Primary School

Courageous Learners Inspired For Future Experiences

Thursday 17th October 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's the start of a new and very exciting academic year at Cliffe School. Our new Headteacher Mr Blackwood is becoming familiar with all the children, families, staff and governors who together make Cliffe the special place that it is.

I have recently been elected as the school's new Chair of Governors. I hope that together we can all help to ensure Cliffe School continues to provide the best possible education for your children and those who attend in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Carole Middleton for her total commitment to Cliffe School both as Acting Head teacher initially and then as Chair of Governors. Carole has been at the forefront of all the positive changes made at Cliffe during the last few years, working alongside Mrs Hay, with the support of staff, governors and the Local Authority. We are delighted that Carole will remain on the governing body and will stay involved with school life.

We have a new Parent Governor Claire Morrow. Claire replaces Ron Abbott who had been Chair of Finance for a number of years and also had responsibility for matters of Health and Safety. We are sorry to lose Ron and also Kath Cooper who represented The Trustees. A full list of all Governors, their category and Areas of Responsibility is available on the school website.

My own background is in education. I was Head teacher at Tockwith Primary School until my retirement in 2013 and have been a governor at Cliffe for four years. I hope to be a 'hands on' Chair of Governors and look forward to getting to know you and your children. With Mr Blackwood's lead and the hard work of pupil, staff and the governing body at Cliffe I hope together we can place Cliffe School as one of the best.

Yours sincerely,

Mary Lumley
Chair of Governors
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