



8<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to write to you as the new Headteacher of St. Andrew's Church of England Primary School. It is an absolute pleasure to have been appointed to lead the school and I am looking forward to building relationships with yourselves as parents and carers, alongside the children, staff, governors and the wider community.

I am excited about bringing the experience I have from a career in education spanning almost twenty years, in order to maintain and enhance the high academic standards that you have come to expect at St. Andrew's. Mr Hodgson has left the school in a very strong position and we have met together extensively over the last few weeks and months to ensure a smooth transition.

One thing that has struck me about St. Andrew's is the strong sense of 'family' within the school, from the leadership right down to the children that we serve each and every day. I want to ensure that this continues to be the case and I look forward to meeting with you as parents and carers over the coming weeks, either at school events or informally at the school gate. Please do take the opportunity to say hello and introduce yourselves to me.

My number one priority is to continue to ensure that all children are safe and happy in school, which links intrinsically to the vision statement:

"Everything we do, everything we say, everything we are about must ultimately be for the children, to develop them into positive participants in the world community."

I know that the staff and Governors at St. Andrew's are passionate about ensuring that everything we do as a school is ultimately for the children, as we endeavour to provide the highest standard of academic and personal development possible for every child in our care.

Finally, one of the key aspects that attracted me to St. Andrew's is the Church School ethos and values. I have always worked in Church Schools and believe that the Christian values taught will stay with a child throughout their lives. I am looking forward to working with St. Andrew's Church and the Lincoln Diocese to maintain and enhance this very important part of our school.

As mentioned earlier, I am keen to build positive relationships with all stakeholders within the school community. Should you have any concerns or worries that you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see me via the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mr M W Baker  
Headteacher



