



'Shine Like Stars'

5 January 2022

Dear Parents,

I hope that this letter finds you well having had a great Christmas and new year.

Further to Elizabeth's letter to you sent yesterday, I wanted to write to you to introduce both myself, Mrs Steph Fawdry, and my Assistant Head, Miss Kate Galvin, to you. We are so delighted to be able to support this lovely school in a leadership capacity whilst Mrs Whittle is on Maternity leave and we are very much looking forward to working with the children, staff team and yourselves over the coming months.

Echoing Elizabeth, I do apologise that the news of our support to Stoke Row may have been a little later than we would have all liked, however, I needed to ensure that all the necessary arrangements were in place RAF Benson before both school staff teams were informed at the same time.

The current arrangements we have in place are that Kate will be in school each morning in the capacity of Acting Head, returning to RAF Benson in the afternoon, and will have responsibility for teaching and learning and day to day operations whereas I will be in school less frequently but picking up an executive role in focusing on the strategic running of the school.

We were both really thrilled with the warm welcome that we have had from the amazing staff team yesterday and your wonderful children today and we really look forward to meeting you as parents when we are able over the coming weeks.

Thank you for all being so understanding about the change to the start and end of the school day that we have put in place at short notice, I am sure you appreciate that with the increase in cases across the county, we are having to enhance protective measures across the school. This may also have a temporary impact on other areas of school but will not adversely impact the quality of teaching and learning that the children enjoy at Stoke Row. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support with this - it is really appreciated.

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Should you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact Kate, either in person when you see her on the gate or via the school office, who would be very happy to help you.

Thank you again for your support.

Best Wishes

Steph Fawdry and Kate Galvin

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