



# Kents Hill Junior School

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Head of Academy: Mrs H Alabaster

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re. Head Teacher at Kents Hill Junior School commencing the academic year 2018/19

You will be aware that the Directors of the Epsilon Star Trust and The Local Governing Body of Kents Hill Junior School recently carried out a recruitment process for a new Head of Academy to replace Mrs Alabaster, who is leaving her post at the end of this term.

We had a good response and deliberated on a number of applications from candidates. Unfortunately, none of the applicants had a compelling enough track record or suitable experience to go through to the next stage of the selection process.

The Directors have therefore made the decision that I will return as the substantive Head teacher of Kents Hill Junior School from next term and for the foreseeable future combining it with my role at Lubbins Park Primary School under the umbrella role of Executive Head teacher.

From the beginning of next term, I will be at Kents Hill Junior School across the week, directly responsible and accountable for the quality of provision, teaching and learning, safeguarding and the behaviour and well-being of pupils. I will also be available for parents to meet should they have a concern or a query and be a presence at the school gate, in assemblies, at lunchtimes and of course in the classrooms.

In order for this to work as effectively as possible, I will be carrying out a small reorganisation of the leadership team; details of which I will communicate to you in due course.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact the Directors, Local Governing Body or myself through the school office if you have any questions related to this that you wish to consider.

Many thanks in advance for your support,

Michael Thomas  
Executive Head teacher  
The Epsilon Star Trust

### **Learning ~ Friendship ~ Safety ~ Success**

***At Kents Hill Junior School we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and we expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs H Alabaster***

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