





To be the best you can be!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Mrs D'Arcy is currently off sick, therefore I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Executive Headteacher of both Winhills and Middlefield from September. I am aware there hasn't been a newsletter in recent months, so I'd like this first one to not only introduce myself, but also reassure you that regular updates will follow to keep you informed and involved with everything happening in school.

My name is Mrs Besant, and I bring with me 28 years of teaching experience, including the past 7 years within our Trust. For the last 6 of those, I have proudly served as a Headteacher at Middlefield. Throughout my career, one thing has remained at the heart of everything I do – a deep passion for getting the very best out of every child, not just academically, but in all areas of school life.

My vision is simple: I want our children to be happy, safe, and supported, and for our staff to feel the same. When children feel secure and valued, they thrive – and that's when real learning happens. I believe in high expectations, kindness, and teamwork. Together, I know we can continue to build positive, nurturing environments at both schools where everyone is encouraged to try their best.

In the coming weeks, I look forward to getting to know the children, staff, and many of you. Please look out for more newsletters and communications about upcoming events and school news.

I'm excited to begin this new chapter with you all.

Best wishes

Mrs Besant and all of the staff at Winhills

Dates for your diary

<u>June</u>

Tuesday 24th & Wednesday 25th – Year 6 Transition Days @ Ernulf & Longsands

Wednesday 25th – Year 5 National Space Centre

<u>July</u>

Tuesday 1st – Year 2 Music Festival

Wednesday 2nd – Sports Day KS2 am – KS1 pm

Monday 7th – Year 4 & 5 Arm Primary School Outreach

Thursday 10th – Year 3 & 4 Cadbury World

Tuesday 15th – Year 6 Garden Party

Wednesday 16th – Reception, Year 1 & 2 Hertfordshire Zoo

Monday 21st – Wednesday 23rd – Year 6 Hilltop Residential