

## WARBOYS PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of the summer term. I hope that you have had a relaxing break and enjoyed quality time with your families over Easter. I always think the Easter break is particularly lovely with the daffodils in full bloom and new born lambs skipping around the fields. They remind us that we are surrounded by new beginnings and new life with the promise of summer just around the corner. It seems fitting that we are entering a new and exciting chapter in the life of our school. We have recently made the transition into the Thomas Deacon Education Trust and I have taken up the privileged position of Headteacher at Warboys. This is a time of great change but a time filled with hope, promise and new opportunities for us all.

I have watched with interest as the school has grown from strength to strength over the years and I am delighted that I have been appointed as the Headteacher to continue the fantastic work that has been completed to date by Mrs Boxall. Warboys is a school that is full of warmth and love for the children in its care and it is clear that the community share very high aspirations for both the children and the school as a whole.

This is my 13<sup>th</sup> year working as a Headteacher and I can't imagine doing anything else. I pride myself on working hard to achieve the best outcomes for every child in my care and I am passionate about providing opportunities for all children to thrive both personally and academically. Mr Parker's letter to prospective Headteachers stated that the governors believe *'every child has the right to an outstanding education'*. I share this belief and it is my mission to ensure that this is the reality for every child attending Warboys Primary Academy.

In my personal life I am Mum to a 4 year old girl called Harriet and wife to a very patient man called Simon. We share our home with three dogs, Bumble, Flynn and Chase (bet you can't guess who he's named after!) and we are currently renovating our home in Folksworth so have become accustomed to living with a skip blocking the view out of the front window and dust covering every surface! Simon and Harriet frequently get involved in my working life (usually helping me with jobs around school) so you are bound to meet them at some point. I understand the importance of family and will continue to nurture the 'family feel' that has been created at Warboys by extending the same expectations I have for my own family to the families here.

This letter is intended as a short introduction but as there is no replacement for good old fashioned conversation please do stop for a chat when you see me around school, I'd love to talk to you. I will be holding a coffee morning as an informal opportunity for us to get to know each other and for you to ask any questions you may have. This will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 9.00am in the school hall and refreshments will be provided. I apologise if this time is not convenient for you but I am certain there will be many more opportunities for us to meet over the coming weeks.

I look forward to meeting you soon and working closely together in the future.

Yours faithfully

Becky Ford Headteacher

