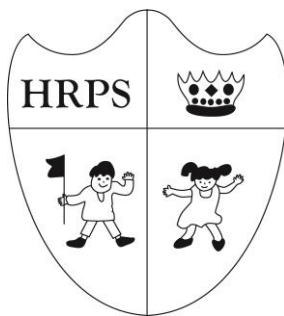


# Houghton Regis



# Primary School

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*Dear Parents and Carers*

*I am delighted to be able to write my first letter as the new Head Teacher of Houghton Regis Primary School. All the staff and children have made me feel very welcome and I feel privileged to be joining your school community.*

*Since my appointment, I have had the opportunity to visit the school on several occasions and to meet with Mrs Gamble, governors, pupils and staff. I would like to say thank you to Mrs Gamble for her support in ensuring the transition to a new Head Teacher was as smooth as possible.*

*My priority as Head Teacher is to ensure that Houghton Regis Primary continues to be a good school. Not only do I want to get to know the pupils, staff and school community this term but also begin to build an excellent team to work alongside me. This is to ensure we are able to meet the needs of all our pupils to achieve their full potential in their academic, creative, personal, physical, moral and spiritual development.*

*Within the context of values and practice, our school has developed a set of core values which will continue to underpin all the work we do. These values will have a huge impact as your child develops. They help to deepen your child's positive values and in doing so, help them consider the implications of their choices in relation to themselves, the communities from which they are part and the wider world.*

*I know how vital working in partnerships with parents really is, in order for children to find school a positive and rewarding experience. I strongly believe achievement and enjoyment go hand in hand to ensure each child's excellent progress. I hope you will support our high expectations in all areas, especially in behaviour and achievement.*

*I am sure I will be meeting many parents at the start and end of the school day and I also hope to hold a 'Meet the New Headteacher' meeting in order for me to gain a wider knowledge of the parent community. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries, concerns or there is anything I can do to help and support you with your child's learning and school life.*

*I would like to thank you personally for your continued commitment and support towards the staff and pupils of this school.*

*Yours faithfully*

*Mrs B Waite Headteacher*