



September 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

I wanted to wish everyone a warm welcome back for the start of the new school year here at Ark William Parker. I also wanted to formally introduce myself to you - I am pleased to be starting as the new Regional Director for Hastings, with responsibility for Ark William Parker (as well as Ark Helenswood).

I also wanted to make you aware of some changes to the senior leadership team here at Ark William Parker. As you know, we have been actively working to recruit an experienced, permanent principal. I would like to thank Vice Principal Terry Kelly for all her hard work and dedication filling in at this role on an interim basis last year.

Until our search for a permanent principal is complete, I will take a more active school leadership role as Executive Principal. I will be assisted in this by a new addition to our team, Senior Vice Principal, Stephanie Newman. Ms Newman is a very experienced VP and leader, and she will be responsible for the day to day running of the school. She should be your first port of call with any questions or issues. I am sure you will get to know Ms Newman very well.

She will be ably assisted by the rest of our senior leadership team, including Ms Kelly, and another new Vice Principal, Claire Bessa, who is joining us from Ark Bolingbroke Academy. Please join me in welcoming her to the team. I am also pleased to announce that Ade Olorunda has been promoted from Assistant Principal to Vice Principal.

We have ambitious plans for the future of Ark William Parker, and we know the entire community shares our high aspirations for our school. I am confident that we have a very strong senior team in place to start the year off well.

Warm regards

Jane Fletcher
**REGIONAL DIRECTOR AND EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL,
ARK WILLIAM PARKER ACADEMY**