

Monday 12th July 2021

Dear Parents

Over the past ten weeks, at the request of the Trust, Mrs Ogle has been working as Acting Headteacher of Bawdeswell Primary School (alongside her role at Reepham Primary) whilst the Headteacher at Bawdeswell has been absent. This arrangement, although temporary, appears to have worked well and had no negative impact on either school.

From the start of the Autumn Term, Reepham Primary and Bawdeswell Primary will be joining together in an interim partnership arrangement, with Mrs Ogle as Executive Headteacher. Our Deputy Heads, Mrs Henry and Mrs Phelps, will have additional leadership time available to ensure Reepham Primary is fully supported at all times. Mrs Sage will teach a reduced teaching timetable at Reepham, in order to become an Assistant Headteacher at Bawdeswell; she will support SEN provision in both schools.

Reepham and Bawdeswell will work closely together to further develop the quality of education in both schools, sharing the specialist knowledge and skills that both schools have within their staff. Collaboration is a central part of Synergy's approach to school improvement. Throughout the interim period the partnership arrangements will be carefully monitored and we will be seeking feedback from all key stakeholders, including the parent and carer community. The Trust is fully confident that this new leadership structure and arrangements will ensure that both Reepham Primary and Bawdeswell Primary will continue to go from strength to strength and provide the best possible education for the children who attend.

Mrs Ogle is excited by the benefits and opportunities that this partnership will create for children at both schools. She has the full support of the Trust and the Local Governing Boards of both Reepham and Bawdeswell Primary School.

If you have any comments or concerns please don't hesitate to email Mrs Ogle on <u>head@reephamprimary.org.uk</u>.

Kind regards

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