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# Buckden Newsletter

*Together Everyone Achieving More*

## 'The Journey' New Term, New Beginnings

Dear Parents/Carers

I write this message to you as I come to the close of my first week as Headteacher. It is now that I have the opportunity to thank the children, yourselves and the staff at our school for the kind words of support and encouragement offered to me during this busy first week.

I am very much looking forward to growing into my new role here at Buckden whilst at the same time further developing and improving the school as we move into the next phase of its journey.

The greatest advantage I offer you as the new Headteacher is a secure and solid understanding of the 'journey' our school is taking. I have been privileged to work alongside Mrs Leverett and the Governing Body in a leadership partnership for almost two years now and it has been during this time that I have been able to forge a good relationship with the wider school community. Over the last two years significant changes and improvements have begun - it is my role to build on these developments and nurture the school over the coming years in its strive for improvement.

At my interview I talked at great length about everyone working together to achieve the best we can for our children. You will see the phrase 'Together Everyone Achieving More' on all future communications and I believe this sums up the approach we should have here at Buckden. By working in partnership we envisage that we can ensure all our pupils enjoy and are engaged in their learning journey. My vision for the school is one where we all engage in the 'learning journey' together.

My vision for Buckden is an environment where ALL are included and feel valued and respected. Standards of academic achievement are high and behaviour excellent. Children and staff alike should be happy, enthusiastic and engaged working to their full potential. I am passionate about education and at Buckden not only does 'every child matter' but 'our wider community matters' too.

I have shared my vision during this week with the staff and pupils and over the coming months you will get to learn a little more yourselves about where the school is headed and how by being just that little bit more aspirational and passionate 'together everyone achieves more'.

A detailed newsletter will be coming home at the start of each month in a larger folded A3 format and I look forward to communicating the details of the exciting work we do.

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