

12th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM STAFFING UPDATE
BOURNE ABBEY & BOURNE ELSEA PARK C OF E PRIMARY ACADEMIES

Wow! We have had amazing start to Term 6 and it is wonderful to see staff and children planning for and enjoying all of the exciting opportunities that the last term of the academic year brings!

The Senior Leadership Team have also started planning for the next academic year and I wanted to take this opportunity to share some exciting staffing updates. Following lengthy discussions by myself and the Trustees of Abbey Academies Trust, the Senior Leadership structure for our Bourne schools will change from September 2023.

I am delighted to let you know that from the start of the new academic year, following a rigorous interview process, Mr Peter Bellamy will become Executive Headteacher for both Bourne Abbey and Bourne Elsea Park C of E Primary Academies. Having joined the Trust in September 2016 as an Assistant Head, Mr Bellamy, currently Head of School at Bourne Abbey, has shown himself to be an extremely talented leader. Having previously worked as a teaching and non-teaching Assistant and Deputy Head at Bourne Abbey, Head of School at Bourne Elsea Park and as part of the Senior Leadership Team across the Trust, Mr Bellamy brings a wealth of experience to this exciting new role.

Mr Bellamy will be supported at our Bourne schools by considerable strength and depth in leadership:

Bourne Abbey:

- Mr Paul Houghton, who joined the Trust at Bourne Abbey in September 2022, will continue in his role as non-teaching Deputy Head and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Mrs Rachael Skidmore will return to a non-teaching Deputy Head position at Bourne Abbey. Mrs Skidmore is also a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Mrs Danielle Gould, currently non-teaching SENCO and Assistant Head, is promoted to non-teaching SENCO/Deputy Head
- Mrs Linsey Leafe will continue in her role as Designated Safeguarding Lead

Bourne Elsea Park

- Mr Andy Whiteway, who joined the Trust at Bourne Abbey in September 2022, will be non-teaching Deputy Head at Bourne Elsea park. Mr Whiteway has spent time working with some of our older children at Bourne Elsea Park already this academic year and supported staff and children during the Ofsted inspection in the Autumn term
- Mrs Becky Bradley, currently non-teaching SENCO and Assistant Head, is promoted to non-teaching SENCO/Deputy Head. Mrs Bradley is also Deputy designated Safeguarding Lead

We are thrilled that in this strong new structure, our talented leaders will each bring a wealth of experience to their roles and I know you will join me in saying a huge congratulations to Mr Bellamy, Mrs Gould and Mrs Bradley on their promotions. All three of our schools will continue to work collaboratively across our Trust family. I will continue in my 'hands on' role as Chief Executive Officer for all 3 schools in our Trust and will mentor Mr Bellamy in his new role as Executive Head for Bourne Abbey and Bourne Elsea Park.

Our remaining teaching and support staff plans will be finalised over the next few weeks and details of class teachers for the academic year 2023-2024 will be provided with pupils' annual reports on Wednesday 12th July 2023.

We are very excited about the future for Abbey Academies Trust but, in the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



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Executive Headteacher/CEO