



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year! I trust everyone has had a wonderful summer break spending time with family and friends. My summer has involved city breaks to Bristol and London and camping in Wales, which has enabled me to appreciate the beautiful and diverse country we live in.

It gives me great pleasure to be able to write my first 'Talking Heads' as the new Headteacher of Lower Heath C of E Primary School. I feel extremely honoured and privileged to have been chosen to continue to build upon the success the school has already achieved under the leadership of Mrs Sadler and more recently, Miss Williams.

Prior to my appointment at Lower Heath, I spent 6 very enjoyable years as Deputy Headteacher in a large Shrewsbury school and a further 9 years in the teaching profession, having worked in Personnel Management prior to that. These roles have equipped me with a wealth of valuable leadership experience, which I will use to make a positive difference to the Lower Heath community.

Being a mother of two boys, I am very much aware of the responsibility we have in ensuring the highest standard of teaching and learning is achieved. Lower Heath is fortunate to have a hugely committed team, wonderful children and a supportive community and Governing Body, which of course, is a great place for any new head to start! We welcome Mrs Ward who will be teaching two days a week in Skylark Class and Miss (Lauren) Williams who is returning after her maternity leave. With Miss (Charlotte) Williams continuing as Assistant Head, together with the unwavering support of the school team, we are extremely excited about the journey ahead.

The needs of the children are always paramount in the life and decision making within a school. I strongly believe in providing children with exciting, creative and meaningful education experiences, which promote an enthusiasm for learning and help them to grow and develop positively in a variety of ways. I think it is crucial to involve the children and their families as partners in their education. I am also keen on building a whole school community, which thrives on mutual respect and positive relationships. I know how vital working in partnership with parents really is in order for children to find school a positive and rewarding experience.

As key educators in your children's lives, I feel it is important you have a voice and that as a school we are approachable, allocating time to listen to your concerns, worries or thoughts about the school. In the near future I will be inviting parents in for the Macmillan coffee afternoon; this will be an opportunity to meet other parents, chat to me and other members of staff over a cuppa and a slice of cake. Watch this space! In the meantime, if you would like to get in touch, please call the school office on 01948 840524 or email me at [helen.reynolds@low.mmat.co.uk](mailto:helen.reynolds@low.mmat.co.uk). Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have a pressing concern you want to discuss.

You can be assured that as Headteacher, I will strive to create the best education for your child/children whilst they are members of our school family. Please do come up and introduce yourselves outside school – I will attempt to be at the gate before and after school most days. I look forward to meeting more of you in the coming weeks.

*Ms Helen Reynolds*  
**Headteacher**



## WORSHIP



This week, in worship, we will be focussing on the Christian Value of Generosity. The story of Johnny Appleseed teaches us how to love others as we love ourselves. If children have any prayers, linked to this theme, that they would like to share during worship, they would be very welcome to do so.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

- **Topic Launch Day** - Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> September
- **Harvest Festivals** - 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October
- **PD Day** – 14<sup>th</sup> October



## NEWS

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