



Grewelthorpe C of E Primary School

Friday 11th January

Welcome back

A warm welcome back to school. I trust that you all had an enjoyable Christmas holiday.



I am thrilled to be joining the Federation of Grewelthorpe and Fountains C of E Primary School. Thank you for making me feel so welcome. I am looking forward to getting to know you all and working with you as we start on a new journey at Grewelthorpe C of E Primary School.

I qualified as a teacher with a BA (Hons) in Theology in 1997 from the College of Ripon and York St. John. I have worked for three different local authorities; taught in every year group from Reception to Year 6; and have co-ordinated a range of core and foundation subjects. I was an Assistant Head at Ripon Cathedral Primary School for three years and then took up my first Headship at Scotton Lingerfield Primary School in 2015.

I believe that learning is a journey filled with opportunities to gain new skills and knowledge. Children should have experiences which engage and motivate them. I want the children in my schools to embrace challenges as opportunities to develop and improve, embedding a growth mind-set where effort, resilience and perseverance are rewarded. I want your children to develop positive learning attitudes built on self-belief, a desire to succeed and the expectation to be the best that they can be.

Teaching and Learning

Over the next half term, I am looking forward to observing the learning opportunities on offer to your children.

For information about the topics being covered this term, please follow the link to our website where you will find out about what the children will be focusing on in each curriculum area.

<https://www.grewelthorpeschool.co.uk/Learning/Home-School-Agreements/>

There are a range of after school clubs available for your children this term. If you haven't already signed up, please use the following link to see what is on offer:

<https://www.grewelthorpeschool.co.uk/Learning/After-School-Activities/>

We are proud to offer our children opportunities where they can learn something new, develop a skill, spend time with their peers and just have fun! We hope to see you at the clubs which all start next week.

Spring Term

This term I will be spending my time across the federation to learn about both schools. To do this, I will be observing teaching and learning, I will be talking to staff, Governors and children. I will also be interested in your feedback and input and will plan Parent Forums where you can come in to share your experiences and opinions.

My aim will be to communicate a new vision for the future of the federation. This inevitably will bring about changes over time but I believe that change is positive as we always need to strive to improve.

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