

15 December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to be able to write my first letter as the Head of Year 5 at Selwood Academy.

I feel extremely honoured to have been appointed to this role and will continue to build upon the success the school has already achieved. I am very much looking forward to starting the role in January. You can be assured that as Head of Year 5, I will strive to create the best education for your child/ren whilst they are members of our school family.

I have been with Selwood since February 2022 and in Summer 2022, I was appointed as an Associate Senior Leader at Selwood and prior to this I spent seven years as an Assistant Headteacher and then Deputy Headteacher in a small first school in Frome. From the moment I first visited Selwood I realised what a hugely committed team and wonderful pupils they have and now feel privileged to be part of that team.

I am also pleased to announce that Mrs Rosier has now also been appointed as Deputy Year Head and will deputise for me when required. Together with the support of the school team we are extremely excited about the journey ahead. Being a mother of two boys, I am very much aware of the responsibility that my team and I have in ensuring that the highest standard of teaching and learning is achieved. The needs of the pupils are always paramount in the life and decision making within a school, I am committed to creating a safe, happy and enriching environment. I strongly believe in providing the children with exciting, creative and meaningful learning experiences, which build their enthusiasm for learning and help them to grow and develop positively in a variety of ways and ensure they flourish in the course of their journey with us. I think it is crucial to involve the pupils and their families as partners in their education. I am also keen on building a whole school community which thrives on mutual respect and values positive relationships. I know how vital working in partnership with parents really is in order for pupils to find school a positive and rewarding experience and I am excited to build on the relationship between you and school.

**'Let your light shine before others' Matthew 5 v 16**  
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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility - Selwood Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and we expect all members of staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

As key educators in your children's lives, I feel that it is important that you have a voice and that as a school we are approachable and allocate time to listen to your concerns, worries or thoughts about the school. On Monday 16 January at 11am I will be inviting parents in for an informal coffee morning. This will be an opportunity to meet other parents, chat to me over a cup of tea or coffee and a slice of cake and find out more about our school community. You are also welcome to contact me at:

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Tel: 01373 462798 (EXT 335)

Please do feel able to come up and introduce yourselves in or outside school and I look forward to meeting more of you in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your continued support, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully

Luci Hooper  
Head of Year 5