

8th January 2024

Re: Appointment of Head Teacher

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

The CEO and Trust Board of DSAT along with the governors of Dunbury CE Academy are delighted to announce the appointment of our new Head Teacher, Mrs Emma Richardson, who will be joining us from the beginning of the summer term.

Mrs Richardson is currently Deputy Headteacher at another CE school in Dorset, and has successfully performed the role of Acting Headteacher. She is highly experienced in educational leadership, and we are all thrilled to be welcoming her to Dunbury.

Mrs Richardson will be visiting the school on several occasions over the course of this term in order to ensure a rigorous handover from Mrs Doswell, and to meet with staff to prepare for her April start, after the Easter holidays. In the meantime, Mrs Richardson has written a short introductory note, which I am sure you will enjoy reading:

I am delighted to have been appointed as Headteacher at Dunbury C.E Academy. It is clearly a strong, dedicated and spiritual community of learning and I eagerly anticipate working with you all to sustain and extend the high standards that Mrs Doswell has brought about.

Prior to meeting you all properly, I'd like to let you know a little bit about me: I have had a rewarding career in educational leadership in Dorset schools and am passionate about giving every child the opportunity to achieve the very best they can. I want school to be a place of happiness, enrichment and pride.

I love to sing and play the drums so hope your children will enjoy getting involved along with me! My labrador and I love a woodland walk with the family and baking and cooking always makes me happy.

I will be working very closely with Mrs Doswell and the Trust from now on and I very much look forward to getting to know you all in April.

Mrs Emma Richardson

Dunbury Academy continues in its vision to empower all of our children to fly high. I look forward to seeing the high standards and values established by Mrs Doswell and team, both upheld and developed under Mrs Richardson's leadership.

Yours sincerely

Tracey Hughes

Chair of Academy Standards and Ethos Committee (Governors)