



29th April 2024

Dear All,

We are writing to update you on developments to the leadership at St. Anne's that will take effect from September.

As Xavier Catholic Education Trust continues to grow and develop, there is a need for some of our strongest leaders to step up and take on additional responsibility. As such, we advertised an opportunity for one of our Headteachers to join our team of Executive Headteachers who take on responsibility for more than one school. With the support of Xavier, Mrs Harris applied for and, following interview, was appointed to this role.

This means that from September, Mrs Harris will be overseeing a group of schools that will be working in close collaboration to ensure that the children continue to benefit from excellent Catholic education going forward. This is a well-deserved promotion for Mrs Harris who has done a brilliant job at St. Anne's, which has gone from strength to strength in recent years under her leadership.

Mrs Harris will continue to be the Executive Headteacher at St. Anne's but from September she will be working with a Head of School who will be responsible for the day-to-day running of the school. Following an appointment process last week, we are pleased to announce Mrs Carmel Martin as the new Head of School at St. Anne's from September.

Mrs Martin is currently a member of the Xavier Central Team but up until last year she was Deputy Headteacher at St. Alban's in Molesey, one of our other Xavier schools. Mrs Martin brings with her a wealth of experience from her time at St. Alban's where she made a significant contribution to the leadership of the school's outstanding provision; we look forward to the St. Anne's school community benefitting from all this going forward.

Mrs Martin will be working closely with Mrs Harris and the rest of the team at St. Anne's from next week ahead of her official start in September and we look forward to you meeting her; we are confident that she will quickly become a highly regarded member of the team. Please be reassured that Mrs Harris is not leaving St. Anne's and although taking on a more strategic role, she shall continue to be heavily involved and have a regular presence.

Please join us in congratulating both Mrs Harris and Mrs Martin on their promotions and keep them in your prayers as they embark on the next stage in their shared vocation to Catholic education.

Yours faithfully,

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