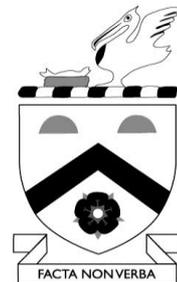


# FRED LONGWORTH HIGH SCHOOL



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10<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

As you are aware, our Headteacher has decided to retire with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 having dedicated the last twelve years of her career to our school. As a school community, we will be forever grateful to Mrs Garretts for leading our school on its journey throughout that time and she will be greatly missed. When the end of term comes, I am sure you will join me in wishing her a happy retirement.

A copy of the letter sent to parents by Mrs Garretts earlier in the term is also attached for your information.

The process of appointing a successor is now complete and I write to inform you of the outcome.

I am delighted to announce that following a national advert and rigorous recruitment procedure, Mr Paul Davies has been appointed as the new Headteacher. Mr Davies, who is currently a Deputy Headteacher at the school, has served within the current Senior Leadership Team since 2009 and is very highly regarded by staff, governors, students and parents.

Interviews for this post took place in the final week before the half term break. Mr Davies will take up his new post officially on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021, but he is already working closely with Mrs Garretts to ensure that we have a smooth transition. He has some excellent ideas for the future development of the school and Governors are absolutely sure that the school will be in excellent hands as we move forward.

Mr Davies takes up post at a particularly difficult time because of the current pandemic and I know that he can count on your support as parents as he leads the school through the next few months and beyond.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'S Quigley', is located below the 'Yours sincerely' text.

MR S QUIGLEY  
Chair of Governors