

# **#WeAreLemington**



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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW HEADTEACHER...

Dear Parents, Carers and the community of Lemington,

First of all may I wish you all a very Happy New Year!

I am absolutely delighted to have been appointed as your new Headteacher here at Lemington Riverside Primary School! I look forward to meeting you all in the coming days and weeks – I will be around on the playgrounds at the beginning and end of each day; please do come and say hello!

### WHERE HAVE I COME FROM?

I have been a teacher for 12 years and during that time I have worked as a class teacher and a Deputy Headteacher at two schools; Barrow Hill Primary – a small school in a former mining village in Derbyshire and most recently Hilton Primary in Blakelaw, Newcastle; a large primary of over 500 children.

I am also a Specialist Leader of Education and through this role have supported lots of other primary schools to improve so that they can deliver the very best for their children.

#### WHAT IS MY VISION FOR LRPS?

My vision for our school is quite simple; I want your child to love coming to school, to love learning new things and be inspired to go on to achieve amazing things at High School and beyond.

We will celebrate all of our children's talents, whether they are artists, writers, dancers, footballers, scientists... the list, of course, is endless.

We aim to be at the heart of our community and give your child great memories that will stick with them for a life-time. We want you, as parents and carers, to be involved with us as your child makes their journey throughout LRPS.

### Why #WeAreLemington?

I've adopted the hashtag "We Are Lemington" because I feel that it's vital that our school is at the heart of the community that we serve. I want our children to represent our school across the city in a variety of events and have immense **pride** in the place that they come from.

I made a number of promises to our School Council during my interview back in March last year; one of which is that we would have a school football team. I am delighted to confirm that we have secured a deal with a local supply teacher agency 'The Education Network' who have agreed to provide us with a brand new school kit. This will be presented to our children in our first 'Lemington Heroes' celebration assembly on Friday.

### And finally...

I am really keen to hear your views on Lemington Riverside Primary School. What does the school do well? What could the school do better?

Please fill in our survey (either online at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VQSP3LR">https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/VQSP3LR</a> or the paper copy attached) no later than Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January. Don't forget to include your child's name on the survey as one lucky person will win a £10 voucher for 'Coffee on the Corner' in Lemington! Paper copies can be returned to us via your child's class teacher.

I hope you're as excited about the journey ahead for our school as I am – I very much look forward to meeting you all in person.

Take care,

**Craig Heeley** 

Headteacher



