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Dear Parents and Carers,

Appointment of Executive Headteacher – Federation of Fryern Infant & Junior Schools

On behalf of the Governing Body, I am pleased to announce that following our last interview round on 19th and 20th September we have been able to select a new executive headteacher for the Federation of Fryern Infant & Junior Schools.

Three candidates were invited for the interview days in this round. The rigorous two-day selection process was completed in the presence of a panel consisting of 5 governors and an external advisor from the Hampshire Inspection and Advisory Service (HIAS). The first day consisted of leading a school assembly on resilience, a learning walk, an interview with the school council, and various presentations and written activities. Successful candidates were then invited to the second day which consisted of another presentation and an interview by the panel of governors, the external advisor and the regional School Improvement Manager from Hampshire County Council.

It took some time to clear all the necessary paperwork, but I'm delighted I can now finally inform you that we have appointed Mr Jeremy Payne as the new executive headteacher for the Fryern Federation. Mr Payne is an experienced headteacher and excited about the opportunity to lead the Fryern Federation. He will write to you in due course to introduce himself further.

On behalf of the school community, I'd like to congratulate Mr Payne on the appointment and wish him all the best in his exciting new position. We are sure that Mr Payne will enjoy becoming part of the Fryern community and leading the schools with energy, thoughtfulness and passion in the next steps of the Federation's journey.

Mr Payne will take up his appointment on 1st January 2024 and we are all looking forward to working with him.

In the meantime, Miss Piggin (infants) and Miss Roberts (juniors) will continue leading the schools as the acting headteachers. I'm sure you will all want to join me in using this opportunity to thank both of them for taking on this responsibility and the way they're leading the federation through this interim period.

Yours sincerely,

Miriam Bokhove Chair of Governors