

# Knights Templar Community Church School & Nursery

"Be the best you can be with a zest for living, a thirst for learning and a spirit of kindness."



19 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has now been nine months since Mr Frowde went on sick leave and I would like to share an update on the situation. Please find below a personal letter to you all from Mr Frowde.

*Dear Parents,*

*As you will be aware, I have been away from my role as Head teacher since June 2023 because of a heart condition, which previously I had been unaware of.*

*Following months of medication and more recently a surgical procedure, I am now happy to be able to say that I feel so much better and am being closely monitored to ensure that everything is working as it should be!*

*When these things come at you out of the blue, they do cause you to reflect on life in general and so I have decided after much thought and consideration, to step down as Head teacher at Knights Templar and to seek different opportunities closer to my home. This has not been an easy decision to make because I love the work that I do.*

*Being part of Knights Templar has given me the happiest years of my career in education and I will always be extremely grateful to the governors for giving me the opportunity to work in the wonderful community, which is Watchet.*

*It has been personally rewarding, working with wonderful cohorts of children, with you their families and of course with a dedicated and caring team of staff and governors.*

*Knights Templar is a very special school with qualities that make it stand out from all the rest. I would like to thank you for all the ways in which you have supported the children, the staff and myself during my time at the school. I will sincerely miss seeing everyone coming up the drive in the morning for the start of each new day and I will miss very much spending time with the children.*

*I wish you all the very best.*

*With kind regards*

*David Frowde  
Headteacher*

*I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mr Frowde for his hard work and endeavours on behalf of the school and wish him well for the future.*

*During Mr Frowde's absence, the school has been extremely fortunate in that our Deputy Head, Mrs Laura Weaver, previously a successful headteacher with a wealth of knowledge and experience, was*

able to step into the breach and very successfully take on the role of Acting Head ensuring the school continued to move forward on its journey of school improvement.

I am now delighted to be able to share with you all that following an in-depth interview process involving the Local Authority, the Diocese of Bath and Wells, school governors and the Methodist Academies Schools Trust, Mrs Weaver has been appointed as Headteacher at Knights Templar Community Church School and Nursery with immediate effect.

I am sure you will all join me in congratulating her and wishing the school and nursery every success for the future under her leadership.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linda Bulpin', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Linda Bulpin

Chair of Governors