

ST GEORGE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a smashing summer break with your families and friends. I am absolutely thrilled and feel very privileged to be the new Head Teacher of St George's Catholic School. I have been lucky to have known Peter Hanratty for over twenty years and have really appreciated his support over the years. Peter and I are in regular contact and he knows that he is welcome to visit and join us for celebrations whenever he can.

I have just completed twenty years in education having started as an NQT at Westover Green Primary School in Bridgwater. I became deputy at Parkfield Primary School in 2003 and spent many enjoyable years there until I became head teacher at North Curry in January 2014. I really enjoyed my time at North Curry as it was a happy school and would have only considered leaving for a similar school.

I have been really impressed when visiting St George's. The behaviour, kindness, enthusiasm and attitude of the children has been evident and they clearly love being at the school. The staff are a friendly, kind, hardworking and committed team who give everything to ensure that the children receive the best care and education.

I am extremely grateful to Helen Mac Connell, the rest of the governing body and Monsignor Bernard for their support these past weeks.

I am really looking forward to getting to know everybody connected with the school over the next few weeks and am looking forward to many happy and enjoyable times at the school.

I look back at my primary school years at St Joseph's Catholic School in Bridgwater and have such wonderful memories of my time there. It is so important that children enjoy coming to school and are happy as it will have such a positive impact on their learning and time in school.

Communication is vital when working in school and I would ask that you all take time to read the newsletters and check the website regularly for important information.

I would like to welcome all our new pupils in Reception Class and any new pupils that have started in other classes. I hope you enjoy your time at the school.

We hope to have a calendar of events sent out to you in the next few days of all the significant dates of the academic year. All parents and carers have an opportunity to attend a meeting with me at 3pm on Monday 11th September followed with some time to meet your child's new class teacher.

Here's to a fantastic school year ahead.

Kind regards,

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Mark Braund
Headteacher