



20<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Dear Parents & Carers,

As you are all aware, our Headteacher is taking a well-earned retirement. Last Friday morning, I attended an enjoyable outdoor assembly to say farewell to Mrs Takashima and to two other members of staff who are also retiring (Mrs Smith and Mrs Hearty), and of course to our Year 6 who are moving on to their new secondary schools.

For the past month, the Governing Body of West Kirby Primary School have been carrying out an open recruitment process for a new Headteacher, culminating in two days of interviews for the shortlisted candidates last week. We are delighted to announce that the current Acting Headteacher, Mrs Bailey, has been appointed.

The selection panel were unanimous in their choice, which has been ratified by the full Governing Body. All Governors are confident that this appointment will mark the start of another successful chapter in the story of West Kirby Primary School.

I'm sure we all wish Mrs Bailey every success in her new role.  
I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you a good summer.

John Cresswell  
Chair of Governors

Dear Parents & Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to write to you following the announcement of my new role as the Headteacher at West Kirby Primary School. I am honoured to be the 10<sup>th</sup> Headteacher that our school has appointed since opening in 1908.

As the Deputy Headteacher, I have had the privilege of working alongside Mrs Takashima at our school for 7 years. I am delighted to be able to continue this success even further, working with the fantastic team of staff at West Kirby Primary School.

I already know many of you really well, and I have taught many of your children. For those of you that I don't know as well yet, I look forward to getting to know you in the new academic year.

As the Headteacher at West Kirby Primary School, it will always be my aim to provide a welcoming, happy and safe environment where all children can achieve their full potential, have exciting opportunities, develop a love for learning and strive towards their future aspirations.

Have a restful summer, and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Mrs. E. Bailey  
Headteacher