



Introductory meeting between parents, Executive Headteacher, Jo Coton, and Head of School, James Hollinsley

Tuesday 11th November 2014, Longwood Primary School

Present: Parents, Jo Coton (Executive Headteacher from 1 Jan 2015), James Hollinsley (Head of School, Achievement and Progress Lead, Longwood), Takako Yeung (Director of Operations and Development, NETAT), Ruth Bird (Chair, Interim Executive Board), Jan Tringham (Interim Executive Head), Fran Johnson (IEB), Tosca Boothman (IEB), Jacky Castle (IEB), Stephen Rodwell (Academies Officer, NETAT)

What follows is a summary of the meeting between Jo Coton, James Hollinsley, the parents of children at Longwood Primary School and NET Academies Trust (NETAT).

- Jo Coton welcomed parents to the meeting. Jo will be the Executive Headteacher for the three Harlow academies – Abbotsweld, Latton Green and Longwood - from 1 January 2015. Initially, she will be based at Latton Green Primary School. Jo's biography is available via the following link:
<http://www.netacademies.net/news/?pid=24&nid=6&storyid=4>
- James Hollinsley also introduced himself to parents. James will be based at Longwood Primary School from January as the Head of School, Achievement and Progress Lead. James will also be responsible for achievement and progress across the three Harlow academies. His biography is available via the following link:
<http://www.netacademies.net/news/?pid=24&nid=6&storyid=5>
- Jo highlighted the most recent report for Longwood, which demonstrates the progress that has already been made since inspection. Jo plans to work with staff, parents and pupils to build on these achievements.
 - Parents agreed that they have seen improvements at Longwood since the start of the academic year and thanked staff.
- Parents asked Jo whether there were plans to increase the number of school trips after January.
 - Staff will work together at Longwood to develop an engaging and experiential curriculum designed to give children wider, cultural experiences. There will be plenty of opportunities for school trips, and payment support plans will be in place to help facilitate this.

- Parents asked whether there would be further chances to meet with Jo and James in the coming months.
 - Jo will organise a parent forum in the first half term so that she can meet with parents. James will also be available to meet with parents from January.

- Parents were thanked for their attendance and contributions and invited to send any further comments or questions to Takako Yeung:
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