



Dream big • Do your best • Give back

25<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am immensely proud to be able to write to you as the new Headteacher of Gordano School. I wanted to take the opportunity to write briefly to you prior to the start of the academic year as a way of introduction before I hopefully get the opportunity to meet with you face to face in the new term.

I was delighted and honored to be appointed as Headteacher at Gordano back in February. I applied for the post at Gordano as I have had many connections with the school and Trust over the last 20 years, from when I worked as a teacher and Senior Leader within North Somerset and also as Headteacher in Bristol. What has always struck me about Gordano is the importance of the school within the community of Portishead and the wonderful opportunities it affords its young people both academically and equally important to me, the way in which it supports students' personal growth. Therefore, it is a privilege to now be able to lead the school forward from Tom Inman, through the school's core values of 'Dream big, Do your best, Give back'.

We are very much looking forward to the start of the new term and most importantly we are looking forward to welcoming back all our students, including our new cohort of students joining us for the very first time – we will of course do all that we can to ensure that our new Year 7 students are well supported during their transition period. Positive relationships sit at the heart of any successful school and I deeply value the importance of the relationships built between the school, students and parents in terms of ensuring our young people have the best support throughout their academic journey. I look forward to building those relationships as quickly as possible in September to ensure the smoothest educational journey for your child.

In September, we will also be welcoming to the Senior Team Mr. Johnny Mailey who as Deputy Headteacher with an oversight of Safeguarding and Behaviour, brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in these areas from his current Deputy Headship.

I will write to you again before the start of term with some final reminders about the start of term arrangements. In the meantime, I wish you all a restful and relaxing final few weeks of the summer holidays and I am very much looking forward to meeting you soon.

Yours faithfully

Louise Blundell  
Headteacher

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