



# Millbrook Primary School

**Bonneygrove and Millbrook Primary Federation**

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Dear Parents and Carers

It gives me the greatest pleasure to write to you and introduce myself as the new Executive Headteacher of The Bonneygrove and Millbrook Primary Federation. I am thoroughly excited about the opportunity to work and support all the children and families within our Federation. I am committed to maintaining the high standards of our schools and ensuring that they continue to be a source of pride for our local community.

I endorse entirely the Federation and believe that the two schools working together will only strengthen the opportunities for the children to learn from and learn about each other. The schools' communities are of paramount importance to me, as well as the success of both schools. My main goal is to ensure that every child across the Federation has the opportunity to be the absolute best they can be, achieving their full potential. As Executive Headteacher, I am committed to ensuring the children will always be at the forefront of any decision we make to improve the educational experiences in both schools.

It is essential that I share some background information about myself. I am incredibly passionate about education and thrive in creating and working in a culture where every child is seen as an individual and their interests are considered when developing curriculum plans. I have enjoyed a remarkably successful last four years as Headteacher of Bonneygrove Primary School, where a shift in mindset with staff, pupils, parents, and carers has seen the children succeed because they want to and where they understand that hard work does pay dividends. These aspects were quality assured by Ofsted – who stated:

- *Pupils at Bonneygrove are proud of their school and enjoy learning. They play well together and there are many opportunities provided for them to learn outdoors. Pupils develop their social skills and their understanding of nature.*



- *Members of the pupil parliament talk confidently about how they have chosen ways to improve the school environment further. Pupils benefit from many carefully planned experiences which enhance the curriculum. For example, pupils enjoy the many visitors to the school, staying overnight in the school acting as an evacuee in World War Two, or meeting a 'dinosaur'.*
- *Pupils behave well. The learning environment is calm and focused. Pupils manage their own belongings well to make sure they have the appropriate resources they need for their learning. Children learn the behaviour routines well from the start of Reception. Older pupils know what is expected of them. They listen and respond well to adults.*

I would love the opportunity to meet the parents and carers at Millbrook Primary School, so I have scheduled two meetings on Thursday, November 21st, at 8:50 a.m. and 2:50 p.m. These meetings will be informal opportunities for us to get to know each other, discuss the current state and future plans of the school, and address any questions or concerns you may have. I hope to see you at one of the meetings. If you are unable to attend either of the meetings, I am happy to meet at a time convenient to you. Please make any such arrangements via the school office.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Craig Hamilton  
Executive Head Teacher  
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