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BISHOPSHALT SCHOOL

"Above all else a place for learning"

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Dear Parents & Caregivers,

It is an absolute pleasure and honour to introduce myself as the new Headteacher of Bishopshalt School. I have been the Principal of a Harris Academy in central London for the last two years, and previously a Deputy Head in charge of the Sixth Form. From my experience I know that a successful and happy school depends on all of us working together.

Bishopshalt is a wonderful school, with a fantastic culture that enables students to flourish. It is truly above all else a place for learning. Having met a number of students, and a vast amount of staff I can see a really committed community that all love their school and wish for it to succeed.

As a school leader it has always been my priority to ensure that the children in our care receive the very best education, and to open up as many possibilities to them in all walks of life. I will continue to support the wide curriculum at Bishopshalt, and also the fantastic extra-curricular events the school holds, not least the BODs performances. I want to increase the opportunities across all areas of the school, whilst also ensuring we achieve the very best academic results for our students.

I whole heartedly believe the school is preparation for life, and as such we must have the highest possible expectations of our students at all times. These expectations enable the highest quality learning experience for our students. To facilitate this there needs to be a behaviour policy that reinforces the uppermost of expectations. As such from next academic year we will be introducing same day detentions.

It is imperative that if a student doesn't adhere to the expectations of the school or disrupts a teacher from teaching or their peers from learning, that the sanction is a close to the event as possible. I guarantee that you will be informed during the day, and that during the detention the student will also have a restorative meeting with the staff involved to ensure that the student learns from their mistake.

As a school leader I understand that parents make an invaluable contribution to children's achievements at school. We can only truly support our students to the best of our ability if parents also work with us, and therefore I want to develop the relationship between the school and parents for everyone's benefit.

I look forward to meeting you all next September during 'The Year Ahead' evenings, and do look forward to a very positive and successful future for Bishopshalt School.

Warm regards,

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