



The Federation of Antrobus St Marks and Great Budworth CE (A) Primary School

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A letter from the current Headteacher

“Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.” Ralph Waldo Emerson

This sums up my role as Headteacher, setting up this new Federation some four and a half years ago now. I can't lie, it is a challenge and many is the time you have to think 'outside the box.' But with that challenge comes huge fulfilment and satisfaction.

I have had to be highly organised but willing to change all my plans at short notice. Forward thinking and planning allows you to appear to be in 2 places at once, eating 2 Christmas lunches, attending all Church services, plays, meetings and events! All important in their own way for building up and cementing your relationship with the stakeholders. Walking the Daily Mile every day keeps me in touch with so many things: the children and through them, their families, general behaviour, grounds maintenance, drainage, tree surgery and all the other jobs that you will become an expert in over time.

We have built up a strong team across the 2 schools. Staff are loyal, hardworking, and willing to come on the journey of new ways of working. The children are delightful, the Governors supportive, strong and experienced.

The schools are highly regarded by both the Diocese and the Local Authority and they are close working partners.

In summary, if you like to be challenged, have lots of stamina, are creative and bold with your ideas, this is a perfect opportunity for you. The Federation is established but full of potential for moving forward onto the next stage. There will be many blessings ahead for the successful candidate.

Mrs Sandra Finney
Headteacher