

# ST HUGH'S SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

It has been very good to see all your children in school this week and a very warm welcome to all the new pupils joining us from Nursery up to Year 7. I hope you have all had a most enjoyable summer. I'm sure that many of you will feel that no matter how lovely the holidays are, there comes a point when our children are ready to return to school...

## New Staff

We are delighted to welcome onto the staff Mrs Sally Russell, our new **Head of Pre-Prep**, Mr Robin Cleaver, a new **Maths teacher**, Mrs Julie Robinson, who will be teaching **Year 5/6 Drama**, and four new **GAP students**, Harry Copson, Rebecca Taylor, George Sandbach and Philippe Edwards. (Harry, George and Philippe are all ex-St Hugh's pupils).

## Staff Appointments

As I announced last term, Miss Rachel Williams is now **Head of Middle School** and leads an excellent team of teachers and support staff.

Sarah North has taken over the position of **Head of Drama** and is teaching Year 7 and 8, with Julie Robinson responsible for Drama in Year 5/6 and Netty Lings teaching Year 3/4. Sarah North and Sally Ewins, Assistant Head of Music, will be jointly responsible for this year's Year 7 musical production: 'The Wizard of Oz'.

I have asked Helen Owen to take on a new role of **Director of Sport** to ensure we have a fully coordinated approach to delivering inclusive, high quality provision for boys' and girls' games, and she now takes overall command of Sport at St Hugh's. Gilbert Watson will continue in his role as Head of Boys' Games, Adam Pearson will become **Assistant Head of Boys' Games** and Hilary Swan will take on the post of **Assistant Head of Girls' Games**.

## Staff Retirement

After a lengthy and successful career as **Director of Music** at St Hugh's, John Ridgway will be retiring at the end of this year. The recruitment of his successor will begin shortly and in due course I will give you further news of this important appointment.

With very best wishes