

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

## Great News!

I promised to write to you once we had been successful in appointing our new Headteacher for Northfield St. Nicholas.

It is with absolute delight that I can now share with you that Mr. Iain Owens, currently Headteacher at Bungay Primary School, will take up his new role, from the beginning of the summer term. He will be supported throughout the summer term by both myself and Mrs Dickson, as promised to you as parents/carers; also to pupils and staff.

Iain has been Head at Bungay for the last ten years, and joins us with substantial leadership experience. He has been described as an 'outstanding' leader – which is what we wished for you, your children, and the staff team.

You may be interested to know that in June last year he was recognised as the 'Educational Leader of the Year', at the 'Raising the Bar' Awards, 2017. Not only was he recognised, but his school was also – with an 'Excellence in Collaboration' award. This was Bungay's second such award (the first was in 2016) as a result of Iain's leadership.

Once Iain has taken up post I know he will be in touch with you to arrange to meet with you all, to share his plans and to seek your views – this is an absolute win for Northfield and your community. Very rarely can such an opportunity be taken to fully engage with all stakeholders before taking up such a leadership role.

I am very grateful to you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Simon A Wood  
Interim Executive Headteacher  
Regional Director of Education

