

18 April 2023

Dear parents/carers

As I notified you on 3 February, we have appointed a new Head of School for Medina College, who will start in September.

The successful candidate is Mr Phil Pearce-Jones. Phil is currently working at a Secondary School in Southampton, although does live on the Island. He has historically worked for the Federation, as well as another secondary school on the Isle of Wight, so has a wealth of experience that he will be bringing to the role.

Phil will be with us for one of the Year 6 into 7 transition days at the start of July and other assemblies will be arranged for the same day so that the current Year 7 to Year 10 students can also meet him.

As explained, I will be remaining as Executive Headteacher. The new role will enable me to have more time to monitor our progress as a Federation and ensure that we are doing all we can to maximise the life chances for all of our young people.

Until then, I will remain as Head of School at Medina, as well as my role as Executive Headteacher.

The summer term is an exceptionally important time for all students, but particularly those in Year 11 as they will be sitting their GCSE exams. Year 10 will also be sitting trial exams in the second summer half term. If you are a year 10 parent/carer and have not yet booked your virtual appointments for Thursday 20 April, please do so. Year 7 and 8 parents will be having in person Parents' Evenings this term. Details will follow.

Thank you for your continued support.



Matthew Parr-Burman
Executive Headteacher