

New Head of School Announcement

19th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that Mr Lee Downey has been appointed as Acting Head of School at The Holmesdale School. This appointment will take effect after the half term break, from Tuesday 1st November 2022.

Mr Downey has held senior leadership roles at The Holmesdale School for a number of years, and is well known to students, staff and parents.

Mr Downey will be supported by Mrs Nicki Hodges, who will return to The Holmesdale School as Executive Headteacher. Mr Prebble, the current Headteacher, will be taking on the role of Headteacher at Meopham School. He will continue to spend a morning and an afternoon a week at The Holmesdale School so that he can support Mr Downey and Mrs Hodges in their leadership of The Holmesdale School.

We are committed to working in partnership with parents, students and staff to ensure that The Holmesdale School continues to thrive on its journey to excellence. I am sure you will join me in supporting Mr Downey and Mrs Hodges as they lead The Holmesdale School on the next stage of its development.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Suzanne Dickinson
Director of Secondary
Swale Academies Trust