

10<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Ms J Palmer BSc, MA, MA, NPQH  
Principal

Dear Pupils and Parents/Carers

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Daniel Zaccheo who has been appointed as Meadowfield School's Principal from April 2022.

Following a thorough and robust interview process which included representation from our Governing Body, Kent Special Educational Needs Trust (KSENT) and Kent County Council, Dan was offered the role of Principal and has enthusiastically accepted the position.

Dan has worked at Meadowfield School since September 2013 and has served as Deputy Principal for seven of his nine years.

Dan has led on a range of initiatives and responsibilities and he has been key in achieving our outstanding Ofsted status both in 2014 and again in 2019.

Dan's primary areas have included, but are certainly not limited to:

- strategic leadership for safeguarding
- designated teacher for looked after children
- lead on behaviour support and pupil welfare and wellbeing
- educational visits coordinator
- professional development for all staff
- mentoring for early career teachers
- agency liaison
- health and safety including ensuring the school has been Covid secure
- school restructures to better meet the needs of our pupils and to secure financial efficiencies
- person centered reviews

I consider Dan to be a consummate professional who is led by his values and by what is best for the pupils of Meadowfield School. This is evidenced by Dan's work in successfully and cooperatively developing a pupil-centered culture at Meadowfield School.

I will continue to enjoy working with Dan while in my new role as Executive Principal, with strategic oversight of our whole organisation including ASCEND College and Swale's Specialist Teaching and Learning Service.

I look forward to seeing Dan lead Meadowfield into the future as he responds to the ever changing needs while working collaboratively with every member of the school community.

Best wishes & warmest regards,

Yours faithfully



Jill M. Palmer  
Principal