

## Park Hill Junior School - Introduction to the Parent Community

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. I am a very committed educationist that is passionate to give children the best start in life.

Previously and for three years up this, I was Headteacher of a large primary school in Medway and prior to this a Deputy Headteacher of a high performing school in London. I have worked in education for over 20 years in a wide range of senior leadership roles. I have also been a school inspector for a number of years which has helped me sustain standards in the schools I have worked in. I have also supported schools during a period of decline in standards as a freelance consultant and as a leader within a National Support School.

I feel very proud and tremendously excited to be Headteacher at Park Hill Junior School. I am passionate about working in partnership with the children, staff, governors, Folio Trust and yourselves as the parent community to continue to develop Park Hill Junior as an exciting, happy and successful school.

For me the needs of the children are always paramount in the life and decision making within a school. I strongly believe in providing the children with exciting, creative and meaningful learning experiences, which build their enthusiasm for learning and help them to grow and develop positively in a variety of ways. I think it is crucial to involve the children and their families as partners in their education. I am also keen on building a whole school community which thrives on mutual respect and values positive relationships and I will adhere to the values Park Hill Junior already stands for.

I believe that we will have a positive and successful future working, growing and developing together as a whole school community so that Park Hill Junior is a school that children love coming to and one which provides an all- round educational experience in which everyone can flourish.

I was certain from my first impressions, during my visit to the school and my interview, that Park Hill Junior was the perfect choice for me as Headteacher, as I was tremendously impressed by the whole school, especially the children. I was welcomed by a sea of inquisitive smiley faces, each desperate to learn and immensely proud of their school.

My aim is for us to work together and by working together we can make our school the best it can possibly be.

I Look forward to working closely with all stakeholders in the future.

Ann Pratt