



# St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## RE: Head of School Appointment

At the start of term I wrote to let you that Mrs. Hodgson was moving on from St Johns at the end of the year and that the recruitment process had begun. We have now completed that process and are delighted to announce the appointment of Ms Hasina Khan as our new Head of School, subject to receiving two satisfactory references. She will take up her post in September.

During the rigorous selection process we tested three candidates using a variety of activities that showed their knowledge, skills and experience in key aspects of leading a Church of England Primary School. All three proved to be strong candidates and even the House Captains, who met each one, admitted we had a hard choice on our hands! However, Ms Khan was the unanimous choice of all members of the selection panel.

Ms Khan has taught in Church of England schools in London for 17 years and is highly motivated to drive and promote the Christian vision and ethos of St Johns. At present she is Deputy Headteacher at a school in Hackney and holds the responsibility for SEND and Inclusion across all the schools in the federation of which it is a part and, over the years, has been the lead in various subjects, including Collective Worship and RE. So she comes to us with a wealth of experience and strong leadership skills! She is looking forward to continuing and building on the excellent educational standards, warm, nurturing environment and strong community links already established at St Johns.

Ms Khan will be visiting the school and holding meetings with Mrs Hodgson and Mrs Read over the Summer term and I know that she is already looking forward to meeting with parents and pupils and getting to know the whole school community. With her appointment we can be very optimistic about a strong and successful future for the school.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mrs Read at [admin@stjhv.islington.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stjhv.islington.sch.uk) and/or myself at [shinton@stjhv.islington.sch.uk](mailto:shinton@stjhv.islington.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely,

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Chair of Governors

