



September 20th, 2017

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the new academic year. I hope that you all had a great summer break, that your children have eagerly returned to – or started - school, and are already experiencing all of the exciting learning opportunities that the wonderful team at Kew Riverside have been preparing for them.

Unfortunately, our Head Teacher, Darren, has been signed off sick by his GP and will remain absent from school. I am sure you will want to join me in wishing him a speedy recovery. Nell Webb, our Deputy Head, will be responsible for the day to day running of the school during Darren's absence.

The successful education of the children at Kew Riverside remains the governors' top priority. The governors, in collaboration with our school improvement partner and representatives of the local authority, have secured the on-going support of an experienced head teacher, who will work alongside the school leadership team at Kew Riverside.



Katie Bentham is the Head Teacher of the Outstanding Queen's Primary School in Richmond. She is a highly experienced leader, and has been head teacher at Queen's since 2011. Ofsted identified Queen's as having 'a sharp focus on improving the quality of teaching [which] has ensured that teachers provide consistently effective and inspiring learning for pupils.'

Katie will provide on-going leadership support for our school during Darren's absence.

As ever, if you have any questions or queries about your child in school, you should contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sabina Mangosi".

Sabina Mangosi
Chair of the Governing Body