## West Tyne Federation of Schools

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Dear Parents,

Firstly I am very much looking forward to having your child join us in Reception in September. It is an exciting time and I know that Mrs Makepeace and Mrs Knowles will make their first year in school a very enjoyable one.

I have been the Executive Head Teacher of both Henshaw and Greenhead CE Primary Schools since May 2017. It is a real privilege to work in such special schools with a fantastic staff team. I particularly value our Christian Ethos, inclusive settings and warm family atmospheres. I have a genuine love of learning and I am a firm believer in life-long learning. Whilst the education of our pupils is clearly our number one priority I also strive to make Henshaw and Greenhead Schools learning places for all. Supporting parents in supporting their children's learning is a key area of our continuing development, as is providing professional development opportunities for all our staff.

To keep the communication between school and home a positive one, in September, your child will receive a home/school communication book. I encourage you all to use the home/school communication books for communication needs and as a reading record. The Greenhead staff will check these books daily; acknowledge comments and write a comment in if necessary.

We will start the year with a new, full time and permanent Key Stage 1 and Reception Teacher-Mrs Makepeace. We will also be introducing a new and exciting 'Cornerstones' curriculum in terms of Science, History, Geography, IT etc (please see attached information) and, your children will be joining their friends from Henshaw Church of England Primary School when they go swimming each week. The children will now be swimming at the Wentworth Leisure Centre in Hexham at all year round from September (depending on their Key Stage slot).

Key Stage 2 children from both schools will swim in the Autumn Term on Tuesdays 11.00-11.30am starting on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

Key Stage 1 children from both schools will swim in the Spring Term - same arrangement and time as above starting on Tuesday  $9^{th}$  January 2018

Reception children will swim in the Summer Term - same arrangements and time as above starting on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018

I know that you will want your child to grow and learn in a happy, safe and caring atmosphere where they will be treated as an individual and I aim to continue to provide this for them.

Thank you for your support in everything we as a school do. I wish to continue to work hard to ensure that we give your children the best opportunities that we can.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Hutchinson