



Waterton Academy Trust

Kings Oak Primary



Wells Lane, Off Bondfield Close, Wombwell, Barnsley, S73 8TX
Tel No: 01226 272740 Email: kingsoakoffice@watertonacademytrust.org
Website - <http://www.kingsoakprimary.org.uk>
Co-Headteachers: Mrs J Meiner & Mrs A Wilks

22nd June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide a further update regarding leadership arrangements at Kings Oak Primary.

Firstly, I am pleased to share that Mrs Meiner has now returned to work and has resumed her role as Co-Headteacher. We are delighted to welcome her back and know that many of you will be pleased to see her return to school.

As outlined previously, the Trust has put additional leadership capacity in place to support the school during this period. That support will continue for the remainder of this term and into the new academic year.

Mr Artley will continue to work alongside Mrs Meiner until the end of the summer term in his role as Headteacher. This arrangement is helping to provide additional leadership capacity and support as the school continues its improvement work.

Mr Dawson will also continue in his role as Executive Headteacher. He will remain closely involved with Kings Oak both now and throughout the next academic year, working alongside school leaders and the wider Trust team to ensure that the school continues to move forward with confidence and clarity.

The Trust remains fully committed to supporting Kings Oak. We are pleased with the progress being made and are grateful for the professionalism, commitment and resilience shown by staff throughout this period. Most importantly, children have continued to learn well, feel safe and enjoy being part of school.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. We recognise that periods of change can be challenging and appreciate the confidence that you place in the school and the Trust.

If you have any questions, please continue to contact the school office in the usual way.

Yours sincerely,

MBretherton

Marie-Claire Bretherton
Deputy CEO
Waterton Academy Trust

Waterton Academy Trust, Centre For Excellence, Walton Primary Academy, The Grove, Wakefield, WF2 6LD

☎ 01924 240767 ✉ admin@watertonacademytrust.org 🌐 [watertonacademytrust.org](http://www.watertonacademytrust.org)