



Dear Parents and Carers,

As the newly appointed Headteacher of Knypersley First School I am delighted to be writing to you in my first week. I have twenty two years teaching and leadership experience and am passionate about primary education. The school is held in very high regard locally, as is the workings of the Children First Learning Partnership Trust. It is for these reasons, combined with my range of leadership experiences, which led me to apply for the post of Headteacher.

I have a proven record of working with others to embed clear systems and procedures providing stability and a sense of pride to a school community. My previous school is now well respected and highly regarded within the local community. I would like to think I have contributed to this sense of warmth and community whilst not detracting from the aim to provide an excellent education for all children. Just as you have chosen Knypersley First School as the perfect learning community for your child to attend, I believe this is truly the right community for me to lead.

In my journey to Headship I have taught throughout the key stages, including Y2 and Y6 SATS and led on Pupil Premium, SEND, Maths, Parent Partnerships, transition, PE and Early Years. In my time at St Gregory's Catholic Academy as the Assistant Headteacher I led the foundations for their well-deserved rating of Outstanding across the board. Previously at Weston Coyney Infant school, a Beacon School, I led the Early Years, working in partnership with the Local Authority advising schools across Stoke-On-Trent. I led the Early Years departments through two Ofsted inspections where we secured Outstanding.

Throughout my leadership career I have led rapid improvements through robust monitoring, coaching, mentoring and a collaborative approach to school improvement. My communication is clear and consistent involving all Stakeholders; inclusive of governors, parents, pupils and staff. Working in partnership and seeking challenge from all partners has helped to secure the vision at every school I have been a part of as a leader.

Our school motto '**Learning Together, Learning for Life**' is rooted at the heart of all decisions we make both as leaders and learners. At Knypersley First School our children show great potential to achieve, lead, succeed and inspire others. I cannot think of a better school or community of young people to serve and grow.

I look forward to leading this wonderful community and working with you in partnership. I ask for your continued support and look forward to building upon the success of the recent Ofsted inspection, providing stability and getting to know everyone.

Yours Sincerely,  
Mrs Z. L. Cooper  
Headteacher