



# The Ripley Academy and Sixth Form

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11 February 2022

Dear Parents/Carers & Students,

The Governing Body and Trustees are pleased to announce that following a competitive and demanding interview process, Mrs Helen Frost-Briggs has been appointed as the new Executive Headteacher across both John Flamsteed Community School and The Ripley Academy and will take up her position as from September 2022.

Mrs Frost-Briggs is currently a Deputy Headteacher at Kimberley School with a wealth of experience, which clearly showed throughout the exhaustive two-day selection process that she was an outstanding candidate.

I am certain that her professionalism, verve and vitality together with her total commitment to improvement will ensure our progress towards Ofsted 'outstanding'.

Mr David Bell will continue to work with both schools until the transition process has taken place.

Yours sincerely

*P Harding*

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Chair of Governors

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