



Queen Mary's Grammar School

Headmaster: T J Swain, M A

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Dear Parents

Appointment of a new Headteacher

It gives me the greatest pleasure to be able to confirm what I suspect you already know: Mr Langton has been formally appointed to be my successor and the 37th Headmaster of our great school.

Mr Langton has been 'Head of School' for over a year, allowing me the freedom to work on setting up the Mercian Trust. It has been a long journey from the initial idea for our Multi-Academy Trust to the point where we are today - on the threshold of its official recognition as a legal entity. As soon as we cross that threshold, I will formally step down as Headmaster and Mr Langton will take up the reins. We expect that to be early in the New Year.


Mr Langton's appointment follows a national recruitment campaign and a rigorous process which pitted him against three external candidates for formal interview at the beginning of this week. The candidates faced a gruelling range of tests over two days, which allowed the appointment panel to be absolutely certain that the School is going to be in the best hands. Indeed, we are convinced that Mr Langton will prove to be an outstanding and inspirational leader as the School begins an exciting new chapter in its history.

It has been a privilege to serve the school as Head since 2008. I have enjoyed the best possible support from the whole community and am profoundly grateful for the opportunities the role has given me to work with you to prepare your sons and daughters for *life to the full*.

I am sure that you will wish to join me in congratulating Mr Langton and wishing him every success.

Yours sincerely

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