ASHURST CHURCH OF ENGLAND AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL LANE ASHURST WEST SUSSEX BN44 3AY

19th May 2021

Dear Parent, Guardian or Carer,

Ref: Ashurst CE Aided Primary School Headship

Further to my letter in March notifying you of the formal recruitment process to appoint a permanent Head for Ashurst Primary School, I am very pleased to report on behalf of the Governing Body that Mrs. Sarah Smith has accepted the post of Head Teacher to Ashurst Primary from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 and Mrs. Clarke has accepted the post of Senior Practitioner of Learning for the school, thereby retaining our Ashurst team. These appointments follow a full, comprehensive and open recruitment process working fully in conjunction with representatives of the Diocese and West Sussex County Council education departments.

I am sure you will wish to join the Governing Body in thanking Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Clarke – and of course their fellow Ashurst school team - for their great work in ensuring the smooth running of the school during an exceptional period for everybody affected in different ways by the global pandemic and to also support them as Co-Head Teachers for the rest of the current academic year. At the same time, we wish them both great success in their new appointments for the new academic year from September onwards and working as a strong and united Ashurst team!

With best wishes to you and your families.

Yours faithfully,

Rowan Allan

**Chair of Governors**