



# The Levels Academy Trust

**Raising Aspirations, Realising Potential TOGETHER**

## **STATEMENT FROM DIRECTORS**

The directors of The Levels Academy Trust are delighted to now be able to inform you clearly of the new management structure and how this will be implemented. Following extensive rounds of interviews the Executive Principal, who will be responsible for the strategic vision of the Academy, will be Heather Barraclough (very experienced Headteacher, Local Leader of Education and Ofsted Inspector). The three Heads of School, working under her leadership, will be Zoe Dennis, Jill Quine and Nichola Chesterton.

### **Jill Quine**

Jill is an experienced teacher, having been Senior Teacher at Middlezoy and Othery schools, and currently Acting Headteacher. She will be placed at Middlezoy and Othery school as Head of School.

### **Zoe Dennis**

Zoe is an experienced teacher, having worked initially in Kent and more recently at Hambridge Primary School and across The Levels Academy Trust. She will be placed at Huish Episcopi Primary School as Head of School.

### **Nichola Chesterton**

Nichola is currently the Deputy Headteacher at Martock Primary School and will be placed at Hambridge Primary School as Head of School.

Mrs Quine will remain as Acting Headteacher at Middlezoy and Othery Schools until the Executive Head teacher takes up her role and will then assume the responsibilities of the Head of School.

Mrs Dennis is currently teaching at Huish Episcopi Primary School and will assume the responsibilities of Head of School on 1 January 2017. She will work alongside Ms Islip for the Spring Term.

Mrs Chesterton will assume the role of Head of School at Hambridge Primary School from 1 January and will work alongside Mr Crabtree for the Spring Term.

Both Ms Islip and Mr Crabtree will be working on a part time basis in the Spring Term to ensure a smooth transition in the leadership and management of the schools. The Executive Principal, Heather Barraclough, will commence her duties at the start of the Summer Term and at this point both Ms Islip and Mr Crabtree will begin their retirement. We now believe the infrastructure and personalities are in place to take our successful schools and The Levels Academy as a whole forward to meet the education and challenges of the future.