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23rd September 2024

Our ref: DBA/014/KB

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Meet and Greet

Every Wednesday the Post 16 pupils from GANF run a coffee shop at the Jubilee Church from 10am until 2pm. A refillable coffee or tea and a slice of cake is £3.50.

On Wednesday 9th October 2024 between 10am -2pm we will be holding a Meet and Greet at the coffee shop so that you can meet the new members of the GANF Leadership Team. This will give you an opportunity to ask questions and get to know each person in a relaxed setting.

At this event there will be Daley Barber-Allen (GANF Headteacher), Rachael Bennett (Deputy Headteacher, Ambergate Campus) and Jessica Newcombe (Assistant Headteacher, Sandon Campus).

Please can you inform us if you are aiming to attend this event by completing the form at https://forms.office.com/e/sNUAuSF5Cu, so we can ensure there is enough cake.



Daley Barber-Allen Headteacher - GANF

For over 20 years, Daley has worked in the specialist education sector within schools and a further education college in Newcastle Upon Tyne, Northumberland and West Yorkshire. He has worked as a senior leader in specialist education since 2013 and has been the headteacher

of two different schools since 2019; an all needs residential specialist school in Northumberland for children and young people aged 3-19 and a large, multi-site specialist academy for autistic children and young people aged 3-19 in Newcastle.

As a specialist school leader, Daley's values are rooted in the belief that every child and young person can learn IF YOU REQUIRE ANY LETTERS TRANSLATING, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL

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and achieve, whatever their abilities or circumstances may be. He is passionate about raising aspirations, changing perceptions and improving the future pathways of people with different abilities and is committed to creating the best possible education and school experience for the entire GANF community.



Rachael Bennett

Deputy Headteacher

For more than 25 years, Rachael has worked within the education sector in a variety of roles. Developing a holistic approach to education and supporting every child to achieve their potential has been central to Rachael's ethos, and this is evident within all the teaching,

leadership and local authority consultancy roles she has held throughout her career so far.

During her experience within the secondary sector both in the UK and abroad, Rachael has championed and implemented restorative approaches within education, social and emotional programmes as a restorative justice trainer, as well as developing and embedding mentoring approaches across different key stages.

Rachael has led on and supported the writing of national programmes to facilitate social and emotional development, including the social and emotional aspects of learning (SEAL) programme and the National Programme for Specialist Leaders of Behaviour and Attendance (NPSLBA).



Jessica Newcombe

Assistant Headteacher

For over 15 years Jessica has worked in the specialist education sector in the East Midlands. She has previously been Assistant Headteacher in two large special schools and has worked

in both the primary and secondary phases.

Jessica's specialism includes informal and pre-formal learning, and she believes that every child's education should be fun, engaging, happy, exciting and relevant. Jessica considers everyone to be lifelong learners; there are always new practices and approaches to try which foster a love of learning. Jessica herself holds a doctorate in

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special education. She enjoys discovering evidence-based practice, using and applying well-researched theoretical approaches to benefit children and young people, whilst supporting the continuous professional development of staff.

Jessica also holds the National Professional Qualification for Senior Leaders (NPQSL) and has completed an instructional coaching course. She aims to create a supportive work environment for staff and values the importance of everyone working together to make school a happy and safe place for all.

In her spare time Jessica enjoys spending time with her four boys, and when she has a chance, she enjoys swimming, running and walking.

We look forward to seeing you and having a coffee and cake together.

Yours sincerely

Daley Barber-Allen

Headteacher

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