



Bampton Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

I wanted to tell you personally that after a very long career in Education, I am retiring at the end of this term.

Three years ago, as your headteacher, I fell in love with Bampton and hence our partnership with South West Schools' Federation. I am leaving behind incredibly talented professionals, parents and governors whom I know will do their very best for our wonderful children.

The future leadership has been well thought out by our governing body and it is in very good hands. I am delighted to say that Gary Bladon, as your headteacher, is dedicated and totally committed to Bampton. We have appointed Angie Fernyhough as Director of Teaching and Learning, who has great expertise and experience and has worked on Bampton's behalf for over 3 years. Our leadership and management of SWSF, which includes our board of governors, is very strong and by everyone working together the future with all its challenges will be supported and blessed with many skills.

I will be around as a National Leader of Education for Woolacombe Teaching School one day week to provide that continuity, support and challenge for schools, alongside our incredibly talented professionals, parents and governors, whom I know will do their very best for our fantastic community.

I **believe** that Bampton, alongside South West Federation and North Devon Teaching School Alliance, has a brilliant future.

I have had very happy years **belonging** to your wonderful community and I have seen the children and staff grow in confidence and self-belief and **become** very successful.

I wish you all a great future and will always hold you very dear in my memories.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Brown'.

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