

Dear Parents and Carers

First of all, on behalf of the governing body of Kintore Way I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work in 2016 in continuing to make the Kintore Way so fantastic for children and families. The new website is now up and running and shows just what a wonderful place the school is for learning, achieving and making friends.

Secondly, I am writing to let you know that in January 2017 Kintore Way will be joining forces with The Grove Nursery School and Family Centre in Camberwell. The current Headteacher at The Grove is retiring and governors and senior leaders of the two schools have been working together to explore a partnership arrangement that would benefit both Kintore Way and The Grove, enabling us to pool early years expertise and share resources. For Nursery schools like ours, partnership arrangements can bring opportunities to secure greater sustainability for the future as well as for staff and curriculum development.

The arrangement will initially be a partnership between the two schools and next year governors intend to discuss the arrangement with parents, staff, the Local Authority and other stakeholders to consider whether to make the arrangement a permanent federation of Kintore Way and The Grove Maintained Nursery Schools.

This term our Headteacher Rebecca Sherwood has already been working across the two schools informally and in January she will become Executive Headteacher of the Kintore Way/The Grove partnership. Rebecca will still be based at Kintore Way and will be ably supported by Sarah Lee and Terry Cole in ensuring that Kintore Way continues from strength to strength. I am sure you will all join me in wishing the team well in this new venture.

Finally, I would like to wish all the children, families, staff and governors at Kintore Way a very happy holiday and all the very best for the New Year.

Best wishes

Angela Scattergood  
Chair of Governors