



Hindon Primary School

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Welcome Back Newsletter September 2025

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families have had a restful and enjoyable summer break. As we begin the new academic year, I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself.

My name is **Simon Watkins**, and I'm excited to be joining Hindon School as your **Interim Headteacher**. I've spent my entire career in education, working in a variety of roles including as a teacher, a teacher trainer overseas, and most recently as an adviser to schools across Wiltshire. During my time working for the Wiltshire Council School Effectiveness Team, I've had the privilege of supporting three other schools in interim leadership roles, and I'm excited to bring that experience to Hindon.

On a personal note, I'm a proud parent of twin boys who are starting Sixth Form this week, so I understand the mix of excitement and anticipation that comes with the start of a new school year. I'm really looking forward to getting to know our school community and working together to make this a fantastic year for all our pupils.

To help with that, I'll be on the school gate most mornings and after school when I can. If you are at school for pick-up or drop-off, please feel free to come and introduce yourself. Alternatively, you're very welcome to book a meeting with me through the school office.

Key Dates for Your Diary

- Wednesday 3rd September – INSET Day (*Staff training – children not in school*)
- Thursday 4th September – First Day Back for Pupils
- Wednesday 10th September – Swimming Lessons Begin
- Friday 24th October - Last Day of Term 1

School Day

Interim Head Teacher: Mrs S Watkins Chair of Governors: Mr R Bryson

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Gates open: 8:30am

Registration at 8:45am

School day ends 3:00pm

School Lunches

Don't forget the deadline for ordering school lunches is Wednesday 3rd September.

Looking Ahead

We'll be sharing more information soon about upcoming events, curriculum plans, and opportunities for parents to get involved. Please keep an eye on your emails and the school website for updates.

If you have any questions or would like to speak with me directly, please don't hesitate to get in touch via the school office. I'm here to support every child and family, and I'm committed to making this a successful and happy year for all.

Warm regards,

Simon Watkins

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