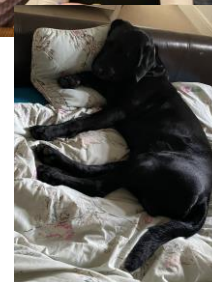


Dear Parents, Carers and Stathern School Family,

I am delighted to be able to write my first letter to you, having been appointed as the new Headteacher of Stathern Primary School. I feel extremely honoured and privileged to have been chosen to continue to build upon the success the school has achieved under the leadership of Mr Lee, and I know, as sad as his moving on is for all concerned, we are entering a new and exciting chapter in the school's history.



I have been a teacher and senior leader in schools across Leicestershire and Lincolnshire for over 20 years. Most recently at Brownlow Primary School in Melton Mowbray. I have been proud to work with schools in the Melton area in an advisory capacity, and work within a MAT and am currently involved in working with the Head of School, on the strategic direction of John Fernelley College. I have been fortunate to teach in every year group across my career and look forward to working with all children at Stathern to get to know them well, and this 'hands on' experience will allow me to clearly understand how to best lead the school.

I am a Melton girl, born and raised here, where I have also brought up my own beautiful and supportive family. After completing my maths degree at Warwick and teacher training, we moved back to Melton, as we strongly believe that family is so important, in whatever form that takes. I live with my husband Nigel, a Consultant Scientist, and children William (19), Abigail (16) and Alice (13). William dips in and out of home, as he reads Chemistry at Newcastle University, Abigail has just 'completed' her GCSE's and is moving on to study Chemistry, Physics and Maths at college, Alice continues to love learning in year 8...but is absolutely set on becoming a midwife! She aspires to care for people, particularly babies. As you can see, we are a bit of a STEM family...so we added a 'loopy-Labrador', Rocky into our lives! Never predictable - We love taking him for walks and adventures, travelling on canal boats, experiencing the breath-taking scenery in the countries in our United Kingdom! When I'm not at school, I do love to swim and go on 'gentle' bike rides with my family! And I enjoy baking! Working with the PTA and supporting their cake raffles has been a huge part of my Fridays over the last few years!

I feel fortunate to be joining a highly experienced and dedicated team of staff who care deeply about nurturing and encouraging your children to achieve their very best. I look forward to working closely with them, in partnership with you and the governors, to ensure that the children we care for so deeply achieve their full potential and have the most wonderful and exciting experience at our school. I whole heartedly embrace your school motto - to Nurture, Inspire, Discover and Create, and look forward to developing those skills, in your children.

I do hope that you all stay safe and well over the coming weeks and months, and that I will meet you all face-to-face when it is safe to do so! Your safety, and that of your child will always be of paramount importance to us at Stathern.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Karen Lambert

