

23rd Sept 2020

Dear Parents of Years 2 and 3,

Re: Schools Direct Students

As is the custom here at Kingsnorth CEP School, we are supporting students who are training to be teachers as part of the Aquila Trust and part of Canterbury Christchurch University. This year we have two 'Schools Direct Student Teachers. These students have degrees in the relevant areas and have experience of working with children. Miss Goldsmith will spend most of the year in Year 2 and Miss Mklanda in Year 3, starting in September.

In terms 1 and 2, the students will begin to teach small groups and by the end of term 2 full lessons. In terms 3, they will be in an alternative school setting. When they return in Term 4, they will be teaching for between 50% and 70% of the timetable by term 5, 80% of the timetable. They will be under the supervision of the class teacher and the children's progress will remain their responsibility. They will also attend professional studies at Canterbury Christchurch University and additional training, which the school and the trust will provide. In addition, our Lead Student Mentor, Mrs Green, will support the students.

This gives the school a fantastic opportunity for the class teachers to teach some small groups or individuals in areas that children need specific support. If you have any questions or concerns arising from this, please come in and see in the first instance Mrs Green for Year 2 and Mr Clark for Year 3.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Sullivan Head of School Mrs Green Lead Student Mentor