

# Spaxton Church of England School

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I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself in readiness for the start of the 2015/16 academic year. It is with immense pride that I take the post of Headteacher, in this wonderful village and am very much looking forward to working with you all, in Spaxton, in order to provide the very best education for the children.



I have worked in schools in and around the county and come to Spaxton with a wealth of experience. After a busy and successful year, the school is in a good place to embrace the changes that a new curriculum brings. These national changes are aimed at raising the standards of education for all and our work on the new National Curriculum will continue to be rolled out as the year unfolds.

As part of our INSET, at the beginning of the year, we have begun to evaluate the values that the school holds dear as well as its aims and ambitions. All members of staff and governors were invited to share their views on what our school does well and what it can do better in the future. We have begun to consult with our parental community and, importantly, the children, in order to clearly define our vision for the future of Spaxton School.

Even in my first days here, I can already see the level of commitment that the staff have in order to provide the very best opportunities for the children to succeed. It is my ambition that we recognise the fantastic Ofsted grading that has been attributed to the school and build on it further, so that not only will it be an 'outstanding' school but a *great* school – now and in the years to come. I would also be pleased to hear the thoughts of the local community as to how the school can play its part in the life of the village.

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## Jane Fear's Coffee Evening

Jane thanks everyone who supported the Coffee Evening in aid of SURE for the Beacon Cancer Centre at Musgrove Park Hospital. A great result of £1,400 was raised; it was a great evening. This was the Coffee Evening's 21<sup>st</sup> year and to date it has raised £17,150 for Bristol and Taunton cancer care. We shall look forward to seeing you all again next year.

