

14th August 2024

Dear parents,

It gives me great pleasure to introduce myself as the acting Headteacher of Cedarbank School. I feel honoured and privileged to be in the position of leading such a fabulous school during the 2024-25 school session and building on the many successes of the school under the excellent leadership of Mrs McDonald.

This session is my 25th year as a teacher having started out in Eyemouth Community High School as a business education and ICT teacher in 2000. I have been a teacher in West Lothian since 2002 starting in The James Young High School as a business education teacher before moving onto Bathgate Academy as a Principal Teacher of Curriculum for Pupil Support in 2007. I have had experience of being a local authority officer and as the Additional Support Needs Manager and have a deep understanding of how to get it right for our young people. My substantive post is Headteacher of the Inclusion and Support Service which includes leading two ASN schools, Burnhouse Skills Centre and Connolly School Campus and I have held the post of Headteacher since 2018 and led both schools through positive HMI inspections in recent years.

I am also a parent to two teenagers and my ambitions for them are the same as the ones I have for all our young people and that is for them to be happy, to develop key skills, and to succeed in life beyond school. I am already getting to know all our learners and have been part of many fantastic conversations around the school and I look forward to their feedback in supporting the continued improvement of our school.

Working in partnership with you is key to the success of your child and I am keen to meet you. I can be reached via the school office phone number or by my email andrew.millar@westlothian.org.uk. Please do not hesitate to get in contact should you have any questions at all about our school.

I look forward to meeting you in the coming weeks.

Yours faithfully

Andrew Millar

Headteacher



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