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Tuesday, 8 October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

IRIS Connect - Sharing teaching excellence through collaboration

As a school we are deeply committed to providing the highest quality of education to pupils. To do this, we must also provide the best learning experiences for our teachers.

We are delighted to announce that we will be using 'IRIS Connect', an innovation in teacher professional development to ensure that our teachers can develop to their full potential.

As part of the school's ITT programme, Mr Russell, our student teacher has access to the IRIS Connect platform which enables him to record his teaching, reflect upon how they he can improve, and to share with his in-school mentors and training provider to get feedback and advice. This approach has been shown to improve the quality of mentoring support we can provide, helps new teachers settle into their new role more effectively and allows our teachers to improve their teaching through coaching and mentor support.

The system being used is completely secure, GDPR compliant and encrypted in the same way as your online banking. The videos themselves may only be shared with education professionals approved by the school and are visible to no one else. The videos recorded will only be used to improve teaching and will remain on the IRIS Connect secure servers.

As the process has the potential to record personal information, we have updated our privacy notice which may be reviewed here

If you need any further information or if you have any questions regarding this, please get in touch with Mrs Honey.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs R Lee & Miss K Needham

Co-Headteachers

