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NEW HEAD APPOINTED AT THE MAYNARD SCHOOL

The Maynard School in Exeter is delighted to announce that Mrs Liz Gregory has been appointed as the new Headmistress from September 2022.

Liz is currently a Senior Deputy Head Academic at Haberdashers' Monmouth Schools as well as a Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead, a Mental Health First Aid Ambassador, an EPQ supervisor and Sixth Form tutor, in addition to an athletics and cross-country coach. Previously she was the Assistant Director of Studies and Head of Economics & Business Studies at King's College, Taunton.

Liz will bring a passion for life-long learning to the role; she is currently completing a Masters in Educational Leadership, has a degree in Economics and is a Trustee and Fellow of the Chartered College of Teaching, as well as a founding member of the HMC Women in Senior Leadership mentoring programme. She is a keen sportswoman and musician in addition to also being a founding member and volunteer of several charities.

"I am thrilled and delighted to join The Maynard as the new Head from September," she says. "There is a very special and unique spirit to The Maynard, which you sense as soon as you walk up the drive - and a wonderful school community; staff and pupils are warm, welcoming and clearly love the school. I will be humbled to serve them."

Liz has a proven record of outstanding stewardship in a variety of Senior Leadership roles spanning over two decades. Undoubtedly, she will bring with her a wealth of experience and enthusiasm in what will become an exciting new chapter for the leading independent school for girls in the South West.

"The appointment of Liz Gregory to the role was a unanimous decision taken after a rigorous and searching interview process involving a field of very strong candidates," said Lady Stanhope, the Chair of Governors for the Maynard School.

She also paid tribute to Sarah Dunn, who is retiring in September after 37 years in education, as an "outstanding headmistress" who has successfully built on the School's excellent reputation, leaving numerous legacies from her tenure. These include, but are by no means limited to, a brand-new Performing Arts Centre, plans for a purpose-built Pre-Prep facility, a revamped curriculum and a host of recently introduced scholarships, bursaries and awards to ensure that an excellent education is accessible to all, regardless of household income.

"The Governors and members of the selection panel are confident that Liz Gregory will maintain this momentum and continue the tradition of constant improvement whilst safeguarding the unique culture and happy ethos of the Maynard School," Lady Stanhope added.

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