



14th April 2008

Dear [Parent/Guardian],

It is with great pleasure that I write to inform you that the Council has appointed Dr Stephen Winkley to succeed Tim Wilbur as Head when he leaves in the Summer to take up his appointment as Head of Wanganui Collegiate School, New Zealand.

Dr. Winkley has had a distinguished career in independent education. Most recently he has been Headmaster of Uppingham School (1991 to 2006) where he increased boarding numbers substantially. During this period he was also Chairman of the Boarding Schools Association. Before this he was Second Master at Winchester College for six years.

He studied at St Edward's School, Oxford and Brasenose College, Oxford University where he took an MA in Mediaeval and Modern Languages, and was later awarded his Doctorate. He is married to Jennifer and has two sons and two daughters.

Dr. Winkley brings extensive experience and energy to Rossall. He possesses a collaborative, deliberate and intellectually powerful leadership style that will inspire staff and pupils to achieve at the highest levels. Most important is his focus on the children and their education, which is at the heart of his educational vision and philosophy.

The initial appointment is for four years and we are delighted that we have such a distinguished and experienced new Head for Rossall.

Dr. Winkley will succeed Mr. Wilbur as Headmaster in June 2008, as he leaves to prepare for his new life in New Zealand. Both will be at Prize Day at the end of May, when Dr. Winkley will be introduced to the Rossall community.

We warmly welcome Dr. Winkley and his family to Rossall.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'D. Stockton'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

David Stockton
Chairman of Council