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Press Release

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## Mr Matthew Hillier, appointed new Principal of Ringmer Community College

The new Principal, who will be joining the school in the following months, was selected following a large number of applications from across the country. The rigorous two-day interview process involved parents, students, local primary school Headteachers, the Principal of nearby Plumpton College, Ringmer Governors and King's Group Academies representatives.

Mr Hillier is the current Deputy Headteacher at Worthing High School which has been recognised by Ofsted as having "Outstanding" leadership and management. He has successfully helped transform his current school into one of the most improved schools in the country with student progress now in the top 10% of schools nationally.

*"I'm very keen to meet the students, parents and community over the forthcoming weeks. I am wholeheartedly looking forward to driving up educational standards and making sure all students gain the best possible outcomes at Ringmer",* said Mr Hillier.

The new Principal is married with three children, aged 13, 9 and 7. Amongst his interests are music, golf and cricket and he plays an active role in coaching at Haywards Heath cricket club with the Under 11's.

KGA CEO Richard Schofield expressed his delight with the appointment, along with that of new Chair of Governors, Denise Kong. Denise is an experienced Chair having been Chair of Governors at Laughton School for the past five years.

'Ringmer can now look forward to an exciting future and I have no doubt that Matthew and Denise will be looking forward to meeting parents, students and the Ringmer community at the earliest possible opportunity', said Richard Schofield

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