

New rector for The Gordon Schools

THE Gordon Schools will have a new rector at the start of the next session.

Phil Gaiter who is currently a depute rector was appointed following interviews last Thursday.

Mr Gaiter came to The Gordon Schools in January 2015 from a depute rector post at Kemnay Academy which he held for nearly nine years.

The current rector Zander Hall announced in March that

he would retire on August 14 after seven years in the post.

Originally from Aberdeen where he returned to study for his post graduate certificate in education, Mr Gaiter studied at Loughborough and Stockholm Universities.

His career as a teacher of history and modern studies began in 1993 at Aberdeen Grammar School and he had spells at Mearns and Meldrum academies.

A youth hockey internationalist, he continues as a player and coach at international level and lives in Huntly with his partner, Elisa and her two children, Megan and Emily.

Speaking after his appointment, Mr Gaiter said: I'm delighted to secure the position of rector at such a fantastic school. As a relative newcomer to the area, I've really been made to feel most

welcome and already have a very strong affection for this area. The sense of community, pride and tradition provides a really strong base to continue to develop and enhance educational attainment and achievement for all at The Gordon Schools. I'm really looking forward to serving the school and the community that surrounds Huntly and watching us grow stronger together."



Phil Gaiter, appointed last week as rector.
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