



St Martin
in-the-Fields
High School for Girls

Service for the Commissioning of a new Headteacher

5 October 2015

With Love and Learning

Welcome Rev. James

Collect Rev. Richard Dormandy

Reading Head Girl

Song My God is awesome

My God is awesome,
He can move mountains
Keep me in the valley,
hide me from the rain

My God is awesome,
heals me when I'm broken
Strength where
I've been weakened,
forever He will reign
(repeat)

My God is awesome, awesome, awesome,
awesome (repeat)

Act of Commissioning
(the Headteacher stands)

Bishop Mrs Stanislaus you have been appointed as the new Headteacher of St Martin's. You will recognise the responsibility and challenges involved in your position of leading and managing a church school.

St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls is an important part of the pastoral care and missionary outreach of our parish. As a church we welcome you, we support you and we pray for you.

As Headteacher you are entrusted with the task of ensuring that everyone in the school is valued as special in the eyes of God and grows in an atmosphere of love to reach their full potential.

You do not carry these responsibilities on your own but with joy we share each other's burdens. So as you commit yourself to the school we commit ourselves to you. But first I ask:

Will you seek to uphold Christian values, attitudes and beliefs as you exercise your role?

With the help of God I will.

(The Governors and school staff stand)

The Bishop then says to the school Governors

Governors, as employers, will you commit yourselves to the Christian care and support of the Headteacher and help her to ensure that all pupils receive an excellent education in a Christian context?

With the help of God we will.

The Bishop then says to the school staff

Colleagues, will you commit yourselves to upholding the Christian ethos of your school and support and encourage your Headteacher in her role?

With the help of God we will.

(The pupils stand)

The Bishop then says to the pupils

Pupils, will you promise to do your best to help your new Headteacher and the staff of your school?

With the help of God we will.

All remain standing while the Bishop prays

Almighty God who has given us the will to undertake all these things, give us also the strength to perform them, that he may complete that work which he has begun in us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Address Rt Revd Dr Richard Cheetham (Kingston Area Bishop)

Intercession Mr Warner

**Final
Blessing** Rt Revd Dr Richard Cheetham