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Q&A with Whitby's New Head of School: Bryan Nixon

Why did you accept the position as Whitby's Next Head?

Bryan: I accepted due to the sense of community and the commitment to continuous school improvement and excellence that Whitby promotes.

What is your vision for Whitby?

Bryan: My vision is to continue to enhance and develop the central concepts of Learn, Live and Succeed. I envision taking the responsibility and playing my part within the Whitby community of learners to continue to provide for each child to succeed academically, socially and emotionally and to ensure that Whitby is a leader of educational excellence within the region.

How will your education philosophy be an asset to Whitby?

Bryan: I am committed to building a culture and community focused on learning. I believe that this will enhance the community of learner that is already thriving at Whitby and, as a father as well as head of school; I am dedicated to providing the best education possible for my children.

Tell us about your family.

Bryan: My wife, Tara, and I have three wonderful children. Our children hold three passports (British, Canadian and Bahamian) and our Irish heritage is not included in these passports so we decided to honor our Irish upbringing through our choice of Gaelic names for our children. Our eldest daughter is Siobhan. Siobhan is 11 years old and is currently in Grade 6. She loves school (especially Drama, Spanish and PE) and love to participate in all sports. Ruari, our son, is 9 years old and is currently in Grade 4. He lives for soccer and is looking forward to learning to play ice hockey. Our youngest child is Niamh. She is 7 years old and in Grade 2. She loves to read, sketch and dance. Both Siobhan and Niamh also Irish dance.