

**MEMORANDUM from Mary Hendy, President of Board of Directors  
Christ Church Cathedral School.**

I am delighted to announce the appointment of Stuart Douglas Hall to the position of Head of School at Christ Church Cathedral School. Stuart's appointment is effective August 2, 2010.

Stuart Hall received his teacher training at Malaspina University College in Nanaimo in 1994, his Professional Teacher Certificate with a B.Ed in Special Education from the University of Victoria in partnership with Malaspina in 1999, and a Master of Arts, Leadership and Training (Education) from Royal Roads University in 2005. He has continued a program of personal professional development since that time.

Stuart Hall began his career as a generalist teacher in Bamfield B.C. where he taught multi-grade classes at the high school and middle school level. In 1996 he was appointed to Queen Margaret's School in Duncan where he taught math and information technology. He was appointed Junior School Principal at Queen Margaret's School in 2000 and has held that position since then.

He is a proven leader, as supported by his referees, and reinforced at interview. The following quotes are taken out of context, but nonetheless give a picture of the person:

- Enthusiastic and collaborative educational leader.
- Extensive community and parent support.
- Clear vision about effective education shared with teaching faculty.
- A leadership style that is one of collaboration and coaching.

And the belief that:

- All children can learn and are worthy.
- Students will actively engage in learning activities when they find them meaningful, fun and can see where they are leading.
- Time for reflection is essential at all levels.
- Good assessment practice that supports ongoing learning is important and students should be involved.
- The job of the educational leader is to make academic achievement and commitment to an ethical life a compelling choice for students, parents, teachers, alumni and all other stakeholders.
- Parents seek experiences for children that encourage a deeper understanding of our humanity and give them the skills and desire to make a difference in our world.

In agreeing to have his name submitted to the Board as the successful candidate Stuart Hall wrote:

*“Hello Mary,*

*I am very pleased to have received the offer for the position of Head of Christ Church Cathedral School. It is truly an honour to be considered an appropriate choice for this role; a role which, I believe, will require strong leadership skills, an unfailing (if only it were so) moral compass, and the courage to lead staff, students and their families on an educational path that serves the mind, the community, and the soul. I believe it is a very good ‘fit’ for both parties and I foresee a long and fruitful relationship.*

*I think that the performance indicators for the first year are realistic and attainable.*

*The fact that the board has written into these indicators the expectation for collaborative approaches to leadership sits well with me. I would look forward to working closely with Tobi, Marylee, the rest of the teaching faculty, and the administrative team.*

*I look forward to the responsibility of managing the whole school, building capacity among the staff, improving the financial health of the school, representing the school to the community, and growing the school.*

*Stuart Hall”*