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Dear Parents,

I'm writing to inform you of some changes that will be taking place in September as I felt it was important to share this information directly with you.

I have recently been asked to take on the role of Executive Head Teacher for both Southcote and Katesgrove Primary Schools. This would be for a period of two years whilst Katesgrove undergo a period of transition. Whilst undoubtedly, this opportunity will present me with many challenges, I hope it will also bring benefits to both schools via the sharing of best practice and a strong culture of collaboration across a broader environment. As neighbouring schools, we already have established positive working relationships with many of the staff at Katesgrove and staff both here and at Katesgrove can see the opportunities this partnership may create. Both schools will continue to operate separately, however benefits will arise from the sharing of relevant facilities and services across both schools.

In order to facilitate the process, both schools will have a Head of School in position whilst I fulfil my new role. For Southcote, we have a familiar and friendly face for our school community. Sue N'jai will become our Head of School.

From September it will be necessary for me to be at Katesgrove for two and a half days each week, with my remaining time being at Southcote. I would like to reassure you all that I remain totally committed to the success of Southcote Primary and for the continuous learning and positive wellbeing of every child.

Staff, pupils, parents and the wider Southcote community are as important to me now as they have ever been.

I hope you will be supportive of this change and I look forward to updating you further as



the process develops. In the meantime however, if you have any concerns please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Lisa Telling  
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