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Dear Parents and Carers of Ecclesall Primary School,

Re: Headteacher's Retirement Announcement

You will have received a letter from Mrs Hardy informing you of her decision to retire at the end of the current school year.

On behalf of the Governing Body, I want to acknowledge this announcement and reassure you that as a governing body, we are working closely with Jim Dugmore, CEO Peak Edge Academy Trust, as we plan the next steps and begin the process of recruiting our next Headteacher.

Mrs Hardy has been an exceptional Headteacher, guiding our school's transition from an Infant School to the thriving Primary school it is today. Her leadership will certainly be a hard act to follow, but she leaves the school in a remarkably strong position, and one that we are confident will attract high-calibre, experienced leaders.

We understand that leadership changes can bring questions about the future, I want to reassure you that our core ethos, values, and community identity remain at the front of our minds and are what makes our school so special.

Strong and consistent leadership is vital, and we are committed to ensuring that future arrangements are managed with care, keeping the best interests of our pupils, staff, and wider school community at the very heart of the process.

We will keep you updated throughout the process and thank you for your continued support throughout this period of change.

Yours sincerely,

Kevin Corke

Chair of Governors

On behalf of the Governing Body

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