

Friday 13th October 2023

Dringhouses Primary School Parents and Families,

I hope this message finds you all doing well and enjoying the journey of another school year with us.

As I'm stepping down from headship here at the end of this term, the governors have put in place plans to ensure that the school's leadership capacity is balanced and stable over the period ahead, during which time they will be beginning a recruitment process for the full headship position.

Our very own Claire Scott-South, who currently serves as our Deputy Headteacher, will be stepping up as Acting Headteacher. I have complete confidence in her ability to lead our school with the same enthusiasm and dedication that you all know so well. Plus, she'll have the support of Mary-Kate Swiers, who will be the Acting Deputy Headteacher throughout the academic year.

Clare Clarke will be ably filling the shoes of Claire Scott-South in Class 3 on Mondays and Tuesdays, with Sarah Murray teaching on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Through clever timetabling, Clare's musical expertise will still benefit the children across the school every week.

Our school's Board of Governors is committed to ensuring a smooth transition and maintaining the high standards we're known for. They'll kick off the recruitment process for a permanent Headteacher later this year, with the goal of having someone in place for the start of the 2024/2025 academic year.

I know that our school is in great hands with Claire and MK at the helm. I'm excited to see Dringhouses Primary School continue to thrive under their leadership.

Please join me in congratulating Claire and MK on their new roles and show them your support as they step up to lead our school into the future. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to me or the governors, via the school office.

Once again, thank you all for being such an amazing part of the Dringhouses Primary School community.



















