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Dear Parents, Carers & Guardians,

RE: South Avenue Primary School

As you will be aware, Miss Fenn has been absent from South Avenue for much of the last academic year and has now reluctantly taken the decision to retire from teaching on health grounds. I am certain that you would wish to join with me in paying tribute to all that Miss Fenn has accomplished during her time in education, both at South Avenue and her previous schools, and to wish her well for the future. She will be a real loss to the profession and we all hope that her ongoing health issues can be resolved over time.

Miss Cadwallader stepped up to the role of Acting Head of School when Miss Fenn was first absent and continues in this role; a permanent appointment will be made which will take effect from January 2021. During her time in charge, Miss Cadwallader has had to deal with unprecedented challenges brought about by the current pandemic and I know that we are all extremely grateful for the calm and professional manner in which she has addressed these issues.

It is hoped to confirm the permanent Head of School appointment by the end of October and we will, of course, inform you of the outcome once this process has been completed.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank publicly all of the staff at South Avenue for everything they are doing in these exceptionally difficult times and you for your continuing support of the school.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Brookes

Executive Headteacher