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Dear Parents and Carers,

I write to you today with both sad and good news. The sad news is that Mrs Carr, our headteacher, has applied for, been offered and accepted a new position as headteacher at Woodlands Primary School in Ellesmere Port. This is an exciting opportunity for her to bring her unique style of leadership to a much bigger school and one which has experienced several challenges over the last few years. I'm sure you will share my good wishes for her happiness and future career development at Woodlands.

The good news is that Mr Manning will continue in his role as acting headteacher and he, and the other senior leaders in school, will continue to offer the excellent running of the school that we have enjoyed since the start of this term. Because the governors are so confident in the abilities of the existing leadership, we are not going to rush into recruitment of a new headteacher, but allow the existing team to continue to manage while we seek confirmation of Mrs Carr's final departure date (this is not clear at the moment, owing to her current secondment to Woodlands, which runs until the end of December). Governors will now be working towards reaching a permanent appointment to the senior leadership team, but this process will take some time while we secure the best possible appointment. If you have any strong opinions that you would like to share with governors while we go through this process, please feel free to get in touch with us through the usual channels.

In summary, although we are sad to see Mrs Carr leave us, we feel that the time is right for both her and school and we look forward to working with Mr Manning and his team in continuing the good work being done. We are confident that the existing team will ensure our children receive the best possible education and enjoy the best possible outcomes.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Canham
Chair of Governors

