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To all Parents/Carers of SJH students

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to inform you that Mrs McCarthy will be leaving Saint John Houghton at the end of this term.

We are very grateful for the seven years of service that she has given to this community and it was her wish that she lead the school back to a good Ofsted grading. Having achieved this she feels that now is the right time to move on to her next challenge.

Mr Brogan, our Deputy Head, will become acting Headteacher from September. We are delighted that, also from September, three excellent leaders from our strong team of middle leaders (Mrs Boddice, Mrs Finney and Mrs Hartharn) will be stepping up to acting Assistant Headteacher roles to provide additional leadership capacity. Mr Warden (Assistant Headteacher for Behaviour and Attendance) will continue to lead the House teams and I will continue to work closely with the leadership team, dividing my time between Saint John Houghton and Saint Benedict while the school makes the transition to the permanent new leadership team.

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the whole community, to thank Mrs McCarthy for all of her excellent work on behalf of the children of Saint John Houghton over the past seven years and to wish her all the very best for the future.

Kind regards

Kevin Gritton  
Executive Headteacher

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