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Leadership Staffing Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with a mix of emotions that we share the news of Mrs. Mackie, our much-loved Assistant Headteacher for Early Years, announcing her intention to leave our school community by the end of this academic year.

Mrs. Mackie has been an integral part of our family at Green Ridge since even before we opened, dedicating herself to nurturing and guiding our very youngest learners with boundless passion and care for everything that is Early Years. Mrs. Mackie was the very first teacher I appointed back in February 2017, long before Green Ridge opened, and it has been a privilege to work with her for the last six or so years. She has been Green Ridge's biggest advocate, and I know almost all of you as parents and carers have had the pleasure of getting to know her as your child started with us. While we are very saddened to see her go, I wholeheartedly support Mrs. Mackie in her decision to relocate to Wales and embark on a new and exciting business venture - in hospitality! Her dedication to creating a nurturing environment for children in our Nursery and Reception classes has left an indelible mark on our entire school as they have moved through to Year Six, and we are forever grateful for the positive impact she has had on our school.

Obviously, a relocation to Wales comes with many challenges, no least arranging house sales and moving everything to another country! It is for this reason that Mrs. Mackie has given me as much time as possible to find a replacement for her role, and therefore her 'intention' to resign will be finalised as soon as her plans and timelines are finalised. There is the possibility that she may remain until the end of the academic year, but I would like to use these next few months whilst I still have Mrs. Mackie to support me in finding the right person to take on this role next. We will shortly be advertising for this, and wanted to inform you before an advert is placed.

As a community, we extend our heartfelt appreciation to Mrs. Mackie for her unwavering commitment and wish her and her family the very best in this new chapter of her life. We will of course keep you updated on any updates and developments in the spring term as we are able.

Thank you for your understanding and support with this.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Aaron Wanford
Headteacher



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