

Tuesday 11th October 2022

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

In my role as Chair of Governors, it is with mixed emotions that I am sharing the news that Mr Sam Eden, Headteacher, will be leaving Ancaster Church of England Primary School at the end of December. Mr Eden has been an inspirational leader during his many years at Ancaster and has been instrumental in ensuring the school continues to go from strength to strength, enabling all to be the best they can be. Mr Eden has informed the children during school today that he will be leaving, and all school staff are ensuring that your children feel supported during this period in their school journey.

Your Governing Board is working hard to make sure that Ancaster Church of England Primary School continues to grow and develop and to give your children the best educational experience as possible. We will soon be opening recruitment for a replacement Headteacher, and are also exploring options to have interim coverage from January, as needed. As soon as we know more about the plans, we will keep you updated and informed.

The Governors will continue to work collaboratively to build on the fantastic work that has been undertaken over the past few years, on the new vision, values and mission for the school. We have an incredibly strong leadership team with Miss Hayley Footitt in her role as Assistant Headteacher and Mrs Debra Moore as School Business Leader who both continue to work to build for a strong future for Ancaster Church of England Primary School.

The Governors would like to thank Mr Eden for his hard work and dedication during his time at Ancaster Church of England Primary School. Most recently, he led the school through the incredibly challenging COVID-19 period and did this successfully by ensuring that the children and their needs were/are at the heart of everything he strives to achieve.

Mr Eden will move on to an incredible new position supporting and developing schools within the Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust (LAAT), which is a wonderful opportunity for him to continue to grow as a leader and I am sure you will join us in wishing him every success in his new role.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me. Emails/correspondence marked for my attention can be sent to the Clerk to the Governing Body on <a href="mailto:clerk@ancaster.lincs.sch.uk">clerk@ancaster.lincs.sch.uk</a>

Yours Sincerely,

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