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Dear Parents / Carers

I am writing to update you on forthcoming changes in staffing arrangements across the school.

Over recent weeks a consultation and restructuring has been taking place and, with effect from January 2019, the leadership of Osborne and Orchard clusters will be combined to create one post of Head of Specialist Clusters. This post will lead the specialist clusters to improve consistency of the total communication approach and ensure best practice. I am delighted that Sarah Fraser has been appointed to this role following a successful interview.

As some of you may know, Ginny Finch, Leader for Osborne cluster, has now started her maternity leave and we all wish her a safe and happy leave. On return from maternity leave Ginny has chosen to take up a teaching post with some additional responsibilities.

We have also recently advertised internally for trainee teachers. Over the last few years our internal trainee teacher programme has proved hugely successful and a great way to develop excellent teachers for the school, which is particularly advantageous when there is a national shortage of teachers, especially those with SEN experience.

Congratulations to Natasha Rampton, Shikha Dutta, Lauren Evans, Aniqqa Butt and Erfana Mohammed who have all been successful in applying for the trainee teacher programme.

The Link is expanding with applications for new student admissions ongoing and, therefore, the staff team is also growing. Congratulations to David Pedraza who has been appointed as teacher in the Link.

We wish you a restful Christmas break and look forward to welcoming your children back in the New Year.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher