

3 July 2020

To all parents/carers at
Riston Church of England Primary Academy
and Sigglesthorne Church of England Primary Academy

Dear Parent/Carer

As we come towards the end of term we thought it would be appropriate to advise you of our plans for Riston and Sigglesthorne and to acknowledge and thank the work of our staff and communities.

Following Mrs Hall's departure and the arrival on a temporary basis of Mrs Tippett, the recruitment process had begun to find a new leader for our schools. Lockdown and school closures unfortunately meant we then had to suspend the process, but I am pleased to tell you that we are now in a position to place the advertisement again, with confidence. We are now looking for a January 2021 start date, or earlier if possible depending on the individual circumstances of the successful applicant. Mrs Tippett will remain as Acting Head until the permanent appointment is in place.

We are sure you will want to join us in saying thank you to Mrs Tippett for the excellent work she has done in leading our schools during this unprecedented and testing time. We would also like to thank our staff who have demonstrated resilience and creativity as well as tolerance and good humour.

We also want to pay tribute to you and your children and for the extraordinary and generous outpourings of compassion and the human spirit that has been brought to the fore over the last few months. It has been heartening to see our communities pulling together in the face of adversity.

We hope the summer holidays are able to provide some peace, rest and respite from these difficult times and we sincerely hope we will see you all together again in September.

Yours faithfully

Mr Dave Barber
Executive Headteacher

Mrs Helen Freeborn
Chair of Governors