



Westlands Primary School

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VTP/ELB/Staff Changes

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you of some staffing changes that will be taking place within the school over the next two terms.

We are very sad to say that Mrs Gibbs, our Deputy Headteacher, will be leaving us at Easter. She is moving on to become a Headteacher and lead her own school. Mrs Gibbs has played a key role in the development of our SEND practice within the school and we know that she will thrive in her new role. I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all of her hard work for the school, our pupils and our school community and we know she will be greatly missed by all.

Mrs Burr, our current Assistant Head, will be taking on the role of Deputy Headteacher with responsibility of SEND and safeguarding. She is currently a Year 6 teacher, so will remain in Year 6 until the end of the academic year to ensure there is a smooth transition for our Year 6 children moving to secondary school. She will then not be class based as of September. Mrs Burr will work alongside Mrs Spillard, who is our SENCO, and the inclusion team.

Miss Weston, one of our higher level teaching assistants (HLTAs), will also be taking on a new role within the school and we are pleased to let you know that she will be our new HLTA with responsibility for safeguarding. As you may be aware, she is also currently working in Year 6, so her transition into this role will be very gradual so that she is still able to support our Year 6 children.

We hope you can join us in congratulating all three members of staff on their new roles.

Kind Regards

Mrs V Pettett
Head of School