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Dear Parents/Guardians

Re. New Principal for Kingswood

As you are aware we have been in the process of recruiting a new Principal for Kingswood to start as soon as possible as I move to a central position within the Greenwood Academies Trust; I will still be involved in the strategic oversight and developments at Kingswood in this new role, just not as Principal. I am delighted to announce that we have been fortunate to recruit Michelle Newman who will start with us early in November (the exact start date will be determined once the usual checks and references have all been completed).

Michelle Newman:

Michelle is an experienced senior leader and current school Principal having led both state and independent schools in the UK and China. Michelle entered the teaching profession as an English teacher, working her way to become a Head of Department in inner city London Schools and then onto a range of senior leadership roles. Michelle has experience as an Ofsted inspector and school improvement adviser and will be working with colleagues, parents and pupils in order to continue raising standards and fostering a climate where all can thrive in a rich and inspiring learning culture. Michelle is currently completing her PhD at the University of Cambridge in her spare time. She lives in Northamptonshire with her family but is originally from the West Midlands and is an avid Aston Villa supporter, but don't hold that against her! Michelle is a keen Francophile and enjoys reading, gardening and travelling to explore and appreciate different cultures when she can.

I am really pleased that Michelle is joining the team and look forward to working closely with her as Kingswood continues on its improvement journey. As you can see from the pen portrait above Kingswood's future looks very secure and exciting in Michelle's very experienced and skilled hands.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Burton
Principal