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Dear Families,

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM - JANUARY 2022

It is with much regret that I write to tell you that both Ms Phillips, our Head of School and Mrs Kisby, our Deputy Headteacher, will be leaving us at the end of this term.

Ms Phillips will be moving on to a new role as an advisor at the Southwark Diocesan Board of Education and Mrs Kisby is returning as a lecturer to the world of higher education.

Over the past few years, Ms Phillips and Mrs Kisby have been instrumental in bringing about school improvement at Christ Church. They have both been totally dedicated to raising standards throughout the school and have worked tirelessly to ensure that the teaching and learning at Christ Church is the best for all our children. Together, we have built a talented team of professional, committed staff who work hard to give our children the best education and support. Additionally, Miss Phillips and Mrs Kisby have formed great relationships with all members of our school community and have helped to build up our reputation in the local area as an excellent school to send your child.

There is much that our senior leaders have collectively achieved for our school and it has been an amazing team effort. I consider myself incredibly lucky to have had their support since I joined Christ Church in 2016. Since then, there have been many challenges, not least the past two years of guiding our school through the pandemic. However, despite all of this, our school continues to go from strength to strength.

As Ms Phillips and Mrs Kisby will be a tough act to follow, I do not intend to appoint any new senior leaders immediately. Miss Gallacher has agreed to step up and take on the role of Acting Deputy Headteacher for an interim period and you will certainly be seeing more of me over the coming months as I intend to increase the number of days I work from Christ Church in order to support this period of change. In addition, our other senior leaders, Miss Sue and Mr Collins will continue to support me and offer their services at Christ Church.

I hope that you will join with me in offering your congratulations and thanks to Ms Phillips and Mrs Kisby and wishing them all the best in their exciting new ventures. I am confident that this is not goodbye as I know they will both continue to offer their support and expertise to our school in their new roles. Nevertheless, I know we will all miss them both very much.

If you have any questions then please do ask me on the school gate or make an appointment via the school office to see me.

Many Thanks,

Jayne Mitchell
Executive Headteacher

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Executive Head Teacher: Ms. Jayne Mitchell

Head of School: Rachel Phillips

Senior Leaders: Ms. Jade Gallacher

Deputy Head Teacher: Mrs. Flora Kisby

Chair of Governors: Ms. Zoe Smith