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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you that our Headteacher, Liz Strong, has decided to leave Kew Riverside at the end of the summer term.

The governors are very sorry to see Liz depart. As I have previously reported, she has worked very hard and effectively across a range of areas, in particular through improving the curriculum offering, introducing a new and highly effective behaviour charter and working on the branding of the school. The recent glowing Ofsted inspection report is testimony to the impact Liz has had on the school.

We thank Liz for her contribution to the school and wish her well for the future. Liz will be writing to you separately before the end of term to say her farewell.

I am delighted to report that our current Deputy Head, Ardeep Virdi, has agreed to take on the Acting Headship position with effect from the Autumn term, allowing for valuable continuity of leadership to the school.

Ardeep is a highly experienced and respected school leader, with prior Headteacher experience. She is very approachable, ambitious for the school, and is committed to providing the very best education for your children.

Ardeep and Liz have worked closely together over the last year, in conjunction with the governors, and will continue to do so until Liz's departure. You will be hearing more in a few weeks time about plans for next year, including the staffing arrangements.

As always, you can contact the Governing Board at any time via email at governors@kewriverside.richmond.sch.uk.

Kind regards,

Stephen Hyams

Chair of Governors