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Dear Parents/Carers

I know Mrs Connolly has shared the news that she will be leaving Glebe and the teaching profession at Christmas.

I know I don't have to tell you what a loss Mrs Connolly will be to us all here at Glebe as well as to our profession. She epitomises the ethos of Glebe and has worked tirelessly on behalf of you and your children for the last 5 years. Her knowledge and expertise, combined with her warmth and kindness has made her difficult to replace.

After a very challenging and robust selection process, I am pleased to share with you that we have appointed Ms Keryn Standing to the role of SENCO. Ms Standing has 25 years' experience as a teacher and a school leader. She has worked predominantly within the London Borough of Ealing during this time.

The selection panel were particularly impressed with Ms Standing's ethos around inclusion – which matched our own - as well as her warmth and empathy.

We have arranged handover meetings between Mrs Connolly and Ms Standing so that important information can be shared to ensure a smooth transition.



However, as I am sure you will appreciate, being a large school, the SEND caseload is a substantial one and so I ask for your understanding and patience whilst Ms Standing familiarises herself with the role at Glebe and the London Borough of Hillingdon's processes (which vary considerably from council to council).

We will also be arranging a couple of sessions in early January for parents to informally meet with Ms Standing and I know she is keen to get to know you and the children as quickly as possible. I know you are going to make her feel very welcome.

I will share dates for the coffee morning/afternoon shortly.

Yours sincerely

Melanie Penney
Head Teacher

