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Dear Parents and Carers.

I know that a few of you have expressed concerns following the recent announcement of Mr Johnston's secondment. As I explained in my initial letter, Mr Johnston was looking for a leadership opportunity and this short term solution is preferable to losing him on a permanent basis at this point in time. I want to reassure you that Mr Johnston will still be working closely with the new teacher to ensure a smooth transition and maintaining his relationship with the children over the next two terms. Interviews will be taking place in the next two weeks and I will let you know as soon as we have recruited.

I just wanted to update you on the development of the partnership and share the aims of the collaboration with you. As the Executive Headteacher my role is to:

- Develop the strategic direction of the partnership, maximising a range of benefits for both schools.
- Develop best practice between the two schools whilst maintaining the individual characteristics.
- To promote the coming together of pupils, staff, parents and governors to share learning opportunities.
- To enable staff at all levels to develop their professional skills and expertise.

This does mean that my role looks different from what you are used to at Bawburgh. The key points of contact in this school for day to day concerns are firstly your child's class teacher, followed by the SENCo (Mrs Bailey) for children with additional needs or the Senior Teacher (Mrs Maudlin).

I want to take this opportunity to thank both Mrs Maudlin and all the staff at Bawburgh for supporting this partnership in its early stages. I am also grateful to you as parents for your understanding at this time of change and the recognition that this partnership in the long run will have a very positive impact on our small school.

I am sure you will understand that things take time and that everything we are aiming to do is in the best interests of your children. We appreciate your understanding and continued support at this time.

Best wishes

**Executive Headteacher** 

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