

## **ENGAINES PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear parents and carers

I am writing to inform you that after nearly seven immensely enjoyable and successful years as Headteacher of Engaines Primary School and Nursery, I have made the very difficult decision to accept a new position as Headteacher at a school which presents a host of new challenges.

When I started at Engaines in 2012, I signed up to taking the school to a secure 'Good' and have achieved that with the help of a wonderful and talented staff team. I fell in love with the school, the children and families and have really stayed longer than intended because of that. As I reflect on my time at Engaines, I am delighted to be able to say that we achieved what we set out to do and so much more. The school continues to go from strength to strength. The forthcoming data for Year 6, for the next two years should be the best we have ever had, so I am leaving the school in a very strong position.


Reputationally, the school is well-thought of in the community and beyond. This is due to the exceptional behaviour of our children, who repeatedly demonstrate their positive attitude, determination and kindness both in and out of school.

I will start my new post after the Easter holidays, but will still be overseeing the work of the school. I am pleased to tell you that Mrs Curle will be the acting Headteacher, with Mrs Ford being the acting Deputy Headteacher, so I am leaving the school in very capable, experienced hands. Going forward, there will be a thorough interview process for the substantive headteacher and deputy headteacher post.

I would finally like to take this opportunity to give my sincere thanks to the children, staff, parents and governors for their continuous support, commitment and friendship throughout my time here. It has been such a privilege to have been the custodian of Engaines and to have had the opportunity to have shared the journey with you.

I wish you all the very best for the future and will be keeping a proud and invested eye on the future successes of the school.

Yours sincerely

  
(Ms J. Irwin – Headteacher)