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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am aware that there have been some discussions on the playground about members of staff leaving our school at the end of this year. As I am sure you are aware, staffing in schools changes almost yearly due to people moving on to other schools, people retiring and people leaving to pursue other interests. We were really lucky last year that none of our teaching staff left and we were able to consolidate the brilliant things that go on at Bellfield.

This year however, we do have some members of staff leaving us for a range of reasons.

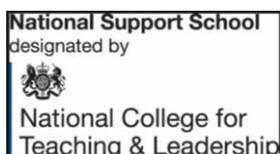
Firstly, Mr Batty, who has been at Bellfield for the last two years, is leaving to support another school in the Trust. Bellfield will no longer have an 'Executive Headteacher'; I have been appointed as the Headteacher of Bellfield from September. We would like to thank Mr Batty for all of his support over the last two years and his contribution to helping Bellfield through a very successful Ofsted inspection.

Mr Hartmann was successful in being appointed as the new Deputy Headteacher of Westcott Primary School. I am sure you will join me in offering him our congratulations. Having started at Bellfield as a newly qualified teacher seven years ago, he has done so much for our children and our school. We thank him for his significant contribution to Bellfield, especially as a senior leader, and wish him the best of luck in his new role.

Congratulations also goes to Mrs Smith, who has secured a promotion to Key Stage 1 phase leader at Hall Road Academy. Mrs Smith has been part of our Bellfield family for 11 years, having started as a teaching assistant. She has had such a positive impact on so many of our children and will be missed by all of us. We wish her the best of luck in her new role.

Mrs Harper is also leaving us this year as she has decided to pursue other interests. Having spent two years with us, her care and compassion will be missed. We wish her the best of luck in her new ventures.

Finally Mrs Osborne, who has been at Bellfield for a whopping 23 years, is retiring this year. She has been a familiar face for all of us over the years and has really contributed to Bellfield being a great place to be. Her dedication to the children and families of this community has been unwavering and without her experience and support, Bellfield would not be in the strong position it is.



Welcome to the Family

To ensure that our school continues to thrive, we have recruited some very high-quality members of staff to replace those that are leaving.

Firstly, we have appointed Mr Newton as our new Assistant Head. He will join the senior leadership team and take responsibility for Key Stage 2. He joins us from Newington Academy, where he is currently the phase leader for years 3 and 4. He has already visited our school on a few occasions and has been really impressed by what he has seen.

In addition, we have appointed Miss England as a class teacher, who joins us from Estcourt Primary Academy. She has heard lots about us and cannot wait to join us.

We also welcome Mrs Smirk and Miss Buraczynska to our lunchtime supervision team. They will be supporting our nursery children over the lunchtime period.

We are currently recruiting an office manager to replace Mrs Osborne. As soon as we have undertaken the interviews and appointed, I will be able to update you further.

I will be sending out a letter next week to confirm class arrangements for next year and information about transition week.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of our team.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "S. Mills".

Mr S. Mills
Headteacher Designate