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Dear Parent/Carer

Staffing Update

In January, there will be several changes to staffing across the school.

After 26 years of service to the school, Mrs Charlesworth (our senior administrator) will be retiring. In her time with us, Mrs Charlesworth has often been the 'face' of the school, warmly welcoming all parents, children and visitors to school. Mrs Charlesworth would like everyone to know that she has thoroughly enjoyed working in the school over the years and will especially miss the children of Menston Primary School. We would like to wish her all the very best for the future and to thank her for her many years of hard work and care for all our children and staff.

Mr Wood will be leaving year 4 at the end of term. He has secured a post at Ley Top Primary School in Allerton. Mr Wood has been at Menston for 10 years and made a big contribution to wider school life for many years by organising extra experiences such as residential visits and basketball coaching. We wish him all the best for this next stage of his career. From January, Mr Wood's Maple class will be taught by Mrs Rebecca Wylie. Mrs Wylie has over twenty years of teaching experience. She currently works in London as an assistant headteacher, curriculum manager and lower key stage 2 coordinator. She will be moving to Leeds over the Christmas period.

Mrs Ashworth is leaving in order to pursue a new career. As well as supporting children in their learning, Mrs Ashworth has played a key role in developing the quality of fun and playtimes with things such as the Games Shop and the Play Pod and she has been the organiser of our involvement in the Ilkley Grammar School Multisports League.

I know that parents and carers would join us in thanking these members of staff for their work and the kindness they have shown to so many children and their families over the years.

In year 5 Rowan class Mrs Kenyon will be moving from full time to working three days a week. For the other two days the class will be taught by Mrs Sarah Zigmond who will join us in January. Mrs Zigmond has already been working in school this term in order to familiarise herself with the school and the children. She will work alongside Mrs Kenyon between now and the end of term so that everyone is well prepared for January.

Yours sincerely

Iain Jones
Headteacher

Here at Menston Primary School, we are dedicated to safeguarding the well being of all children and adults in the school and expect everyone in our community to share this commitment.