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Dear Parents/Carers

I write with regard to the staffing structure at the College and inform you that, it is with great sadness, that I am stepping away from my Executive Headship position due to ill health.

After speaking to the Trust and the Chair of Governors, I believe this is the right thing to do as I cannot continue to give the school what it needs and more importantly, what it deserves.

It has been an honour to work with such a wonderful staffing body who are so dedicated and it has been my privilege to see this school grow over the past 3 years. Like everywhere, we faced uncertainty during Covid but we came through it and at all times, everything we did and still do, is student centred.

As you know Emma Wride has recently been promoted to Head of School and I know that I am leaving the College in her very capable hands. It has been a pleasure to mentor and coach her over the years for this very role and at the heart of everything she does, is for Kemnal and our students. Emma will also be supported by Mr Stuart Smith, who takes the position of Executive Headteacher. Stuart is from one of our Trust schools and I am sure he will introduce himself to you all when he is in place.

You will know that Kemnal has been in my soul since 1995 and it is with deep regret that I am not continuing on this journey as it was always in my career plan to do so. I will closely monitor and will forever be proud of this school, but more importantly, look forward to hearing about how well Kemnal is doing.

Finally to you parents/carers, thank you. Your support and well wishes made this decision even harder as I know how great our students are and just how great this school is.

With very best wishes.

Yours faithfully

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