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Sarah Gordon-Weeks – Acting Principal

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you and your families are well and are looking forward to an enjoyable half term break!

I am writing to inform you of some changes to the leadership of Dashwood Academy. As you know, Mrs Rogers is currently on maternity leave with her lovely daughter Arabella. A letter from Mrs Rogers can be found below.

I have taken the very difficult decision to resign from my post as Principal to spend time with my daughter whilst she is young.

I have absolutely loved working at Dashwood for the last 14 years. I have been so proud and grateful to have been part of the Dashwood community and I will miss the staff, pupils and parents/carers greatly.

I will hopefully continue to do some work for the Aspirations Academy Trust in the near future so will keep in touch with the school.

I know that I'm leaving the school in a great position in the local community and in very safe hands with Mrs Gordon-Weeks and the rest of the amazing staff. Having had such a wonderful career here at Dashwood, and knowing how much I'm going to miss everyone, I do intend to plan something to say a proper goodbye to everyone later this year as my maternity leave comes to an end. Mrs Gordon-Weeks will be in touch about the plans when they are finalised.

I would like to thank you for all your support over the last 14 years. I will miss being a Principal and most importantly, everyone at Dashwood.

Yours sincerely Amy Rogers

Mrs Rogers will be greatly missed by all of us, she has been a part of Dashwood for many years and has contributed greatly to it being a fantastic school. We wish her all the best for her future and thank her for her commitment to Dashwood over the past 14 years.

I am excited to be able to let you know that Mrs Gordon-Weeks has been appointed as the new Principal. As you know, Mrs Gordon-Weeks has been leading the academy in Mrs Rogers' absence and has also been at Dashwood for 14 years, working alongside Mrs Rogers for most of that time. She has also been a great influence on the success of the school and I know under her leadership, Dashwood will go from strength to strength.

I am sure you will want to join me in congratulating Mrs Gordon-Weeks on her appointment.

Yours faithfully,

Mandy Lancy Regional CEO (East) Aspirations Academies Trust























