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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we are approaching the end of the Autumn Term and preparing for the Christmas holidays, we unfortunately will be saying goodbye to some of our lovely staff who will be leaving us to move on to new challenges and adventures.

After 15 years working at Willenhall Community Primary School, Mrs Dodd will be leaving us at Christmas. Mrs Dodd works in our school office, in charge of the finances. She is such a valued member of our team and we will really miss her kindness, good advice and methodical thinking when she leaves us to take on new challenges. We wish you lots of love for the future Mrs Dodd.

Mrs Hay will also be leaving us to start her early retirement after working at our school for 5 years. Mrs Hay has been a lovely, kind and dedicated member of staff, who has been working with our youngest children. I know we will all miss her but I am looking forward to welcoming her back to our school to hopefully do some supply teaching for us. We all send you our very best wishes Mrs Hay.

Mrs Windridge, who has been with us at Willenhall for 3 years, is also taking up a new role outside of the education sector. We know that this has been a difficult decision for Mrs Windridge to make as she cares deeply for the children at Willenhall Primary School but we know it is the right decision for her. Mrs Windridge is a kind and caring member of our Early Years team and we will miss her so much when she leaves but we wish her all the very best for her new role and the future.

Mrs Daly hasn't been with us for as long, but has had a big impact on the lives of our Nursery children. She is leaving to take up a promotion at another school and we know that she will be fabulous in her new role. We will miss you and your gentle caring nature Mrs Daly – good luck in your new job.

I am sure that you will join me in thanking all of these members of staff for their excellent contributions to our school over the years and we wish them all the very best in their new adventures.

As we say goodbye to some staff, we also then welcome new staff to our school. Mrs Sarkodie will be joining our Early Years team and will be taking responsibility for class RJ. She is an experienced Early Years teacher and will be working with the other Teachers and Teaching Assistants in Reception. We have one vacancy currently to fill to complete our team in Reception. Mrs Collett will be moving into Nursery after Christmas but will still be overseeing the whole of Early Years and working with Mrs Sarkodie to ensure the hand over is smooth for those children. She will be joined by Mr Young who is moving in to Nursery to complete our Nursery team. I am sure you



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will join with us and welcome our new staff to our school community and I look forward to you meeting them soon.

As we head into the last week of the Autumn term and our activities become considerably festive, I will take this opportunity to wish you all a joyful Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Kind regards

Mrs Mclean
Headteacher