

# King Athelstan Primary School

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Dear Families,

We are writing to inform you of an upcoming staffing change. Ms Alice Govan, Assistant Head (Inclusion) and SENCo, will be moving on at the end of this term to take up an exciting new role as a Specialist Autism Advisory Teacher in Southwark. While we will be very sorry to see her go, we know that her knowledge will be invaluable in her new role as she will be working across all primary schools within that local authority. We are incredibly grateful for the dedication, expertise, and care she has shown to our pupils and families over the 8 years she has worked at King Athelstan. I am sure you will join us in wishing her every success in this next stage of her career.

To ensure continuity of support for our pupils, we have arranged the following interim measures: Mrs Jane Bennett will be increasing her working days to take on the SENCo responsibilities, bringing her valuable experience and knowledge to the role. Mrs Bennett is one of our longest serving members of staff and she already leads many aspects of our Inclusion work, including assisting in the SENCo role. In addition, Miss Kayleigh Lee will be increasing her working days to four days a week to provide cover for Mrs Bennett in Hockney Class, helping us to maintain stability and consistency for the children. Mrs Bennett will continue to teach Hockney Class on a Monday and be the Acting SENCo for the Summer Term.

Other aspects of Ms Govan's role will be covered within the Leadership Team and wider staff team. We will update you further about the longer term plans in the coming months. In the meantime, please be assured that supporting the needs and progress of all our pupils remains our highest priority, and we are committed to ensuring a smooth transition.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Leadership Team.

Thank you for your continued support.

Emily Newton

Headteacher



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