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Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to you today to advise you of the need for a change of class teacher after the Easter holiday.

As you may know Miss Conway, who has worked at the school for a number of years and helped our students to produce outstanding art work, will be leaving at the end of term. I would like, on behalf of everyone, to wish her the very best in her next venture, she will be sadly missed at Highfield. In addition, Mr Ishaq who worked with us for a while in a temporary capacity, has also secured a promotion to a permanent post and again we thank him for this hard work in the time he was with us and wish him the very best in his new post.

As a result of this, the governors have made recent appointments for two new teachers at Highfield. In order to use their skills to best meet the needs of our students, we have taken the decision to re-organise a number of classes, with the intention of these changes being more permanent arrangements.

After Easter the following classes will have some changes:

The Post 16 group who currently have Rachel Parkes as their class teacher will have a new teacher, Miss Rowanne Beachill. The support staff working with these students will remain with the group and will be there to help with this transition. Rachel will continue to work with the group on Friday afternoons until the end of the academic year.

8PC, who were Mr Ishaq's class and currently have Miss Craig with them, will have Miss Parkes as their teacher and we hope this will continue into year 9 to provide stability for this group.

10/11KB, where Mr Bould and Miss Conway shared the class teacher responsibilities, will still have Mr Bould and Miss Nicola Hirst will be taking over alongside him.

We will hold a parents coffee morning after Easter so you will have the opportunity to meet the new teachers as soon as possible. We are, however, confident that these changes will be positive ones for the students and are the most appropriate ones for them.

Should you wish to discuss these changes with us, please contact school in the usual ways. I would like to thank you, in anticipation of your support for these changes.

Kind regards,

Pat Marshall
Headteacher

