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Recruitment of new Head Teacher - update

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Governing Board promised to keep you informed about the school's recruitment of a Headteacher to replace Mrs Wheatley who will be retiring at the end of this term.

I can confirm for you that after a full recruitment process, Mrs Gaskell has been confirmed as the new Interim Headteacher for Bishop King School. Mrs Thomas has also been recruited to fulfil the Deputy Headteacher role with both roles running until the end of the school year in July 2025.

Mrs Wheatley has agreed to be retained on a reduced hours agreement but will relinquish the role of Headteacher.

This, we feel is the best outcome for the school in the short term and will allow the school to maintain the excellent progress that is being made whilst being mindful of the needs of the pupils and staff to provide the maximum amount of continuity we feel the school needs.

The Governing Board will plan to begin the recruitment cycle beginning in the spring as we have been advised this is the best time to carry it out. Providing we are successful we hope to be in a position to appoint a new Headteacher for September 2025.

Yours sincerely,
Mr. Tony Stevens
Chair of Governors