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Dear Parents and Carers,

Headteacher Appointment Biggin Hill Primary School

We are pleased to announce that during the course of the last few days we have successfully completed the demanding interview process for the appointment of the new Headteacher for Biggin Hill Primary School. We are delighted to inform you that Hannah Freeman has been appointed to the crucial position of Headteacher.

The two-day selection process held during the course of last Wednesday and Thursday was rigorous; involving a number of interviews, presentations and written activities in the presence of an interview panel consisting of a Trust Member, Charles Darwin Academy Trust Trustees, BHPS Governors and an external recruitment consultant. A group of children from the school also participated in a pupil panel that contributed to the final decision making.

We were fortunate in that we attracted a good field of applicants who had a wealth of experience, this included a number of currently serving Headteachers, Deputies and Assistants Heads. It is to Hannah's significant credit that in a field of such strength she was by far the best candidate. The panel members were thus able to appoint her with complete confidence.

We offer our congratulations to Hannah, we believe that under her thoughtful, energetic and passionate leadership that Biggin Hill Primary School will continue its journey towards becoming an outstanding school at some pace.

Hannah, in her new capacity as Headteacher, will want to write to all parents and carers in due course to outline her thoughts on the future priorities and direction of the School. She will no doubt seek your support as we all work to continue Biggin Hill Primary School's mission - inspiring young minds and future generations.

We would like, on behalf of the Governing Body, the Trust Board and the wider school community to wish Hannah all the best in this exciting new position. We all look forward to working with her.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Woolfenden

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