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Dear Parents and Carers,

Leadership Changes

I am writing to inform you of some important leadership changes at Raleigh and Admirals Academies.

With immediate effect, Mr Chris Harris has been appointed Acting Principal of Upwell Academy, which is also part of the EMAT family of schools. This appointment will continue for the remainder of this term and throughout the next academic year, providing stability and continuity for Upwell Academy. However, for the next three weeks, Mr Harris will continue to work with us on Tuesdays, supporting our Academies as we head towards the end of the academic year.

To ensure strong leadership in Mr Harris's absence, I am pleased to announce that both Mrs Ewens and Mrs Hale have been appointed as Interim Assistant Principals. Both bring significant senior leadership experience in primary school improvement, having worked extensively across both Raleigh Infant Academy and Admirals Academy. They played a key role in helping Raleigh Academy move from an Ofsted judgement of 'Inadequate' (prior to joining the trust) to 'Good' in a single inspection cycle, and in supporting Admirals Academy to achieve 'Good' with 'Outstanding' features.

In addition, Bella Frary will step into the role of Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), continuing to strengthen our 'Circle of Safety' team. I will share further updates on our leadership structure in due course. Please note that the children have also been told today.

In the meantime, I am sure you will join me in congratulating Mr Harris, Mrs Hale, and Mrs Ewens on their appointments.

If you would like to discuss any of these changes further, please do not hesitate to contact me via the front office.

With kind regards,

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