



18<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the last 3 days of term I wanted to just let you know some staffing changes and arrangements for the beginning of term.

Our Achievement Leaders for next year are -

Mr Bonas Year 7 [KBonas@castlemanor.org.uk](mailto:KBonas@castlemanor.org.uk)

Mr Holder Year 8 [THolder@castlemanor.org.uk](mailto:THolder@castlemanor.org.uk)

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Mrs Plunkett Year 10 [CPlunkett@castlemanor.org.uk](mailto:CPlunkett@castlemanor.org.uk)

Mr Sims Year 11 [NSims@castlemanor.org.uk](mailto:NSims@castlemanor.org.uk)

We also have some colleagues leaving us this week, we will celebrate with all of them and thank them for their service to our school and children.

Mrs Farrow is retiring after over 30 years teaching! She will be known by many of you as your teacher at middle schools as well as teaching your children at Castle Manor.

Mrs Horne leaves us to become Deputy Head at Newmarket Academy. She has been at Castle Manor for 17 years and leaves a huge legacy of impressive work around safeguarding and wellbeing for our students.

Mr Barker is taking early retirement to spend more time with family. He has engaged so many of our students in a love of English and Literature in his time with us.

Miss Kitchiner leaves us to take up a position in Cambridge as Second in Science.

Mrs Cook leaves us to take up a position closer to home.

Miss Harris, Mr Somers and Miss Hilliard are all going to be training to be teachers.

Miss Dodd will be returning to University after her placement with us this year.

Miss Mason will be finishing her role as Geography teacher and moving to a new position.

Mr Gomm in our Office is relocating with his family to Yorkshire.

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**We will have several new staff joining us -**

Mr Watkinson is joining us as Assistant Headteacher and Safeguarding and Wellbeing lead.

Mr Fielden joins us as Geography Teacher.

Miss McKeowan has already joined us as an Art teacher.

Miss Kennard has already joined us as a Science Teacher.

Mrs Cofer joins us as an English Teacher.

Miss Fisher joins us as Second in Science.

Miss Howland has already joined us as a TA in The Arch.

We are interviewing in the coming weeks for other replacements for support staff and will have a full team in place in September.

If there is a particular message you would like passed to any of those who are leaving please email Mrs Mitchell on [GMitchell@castlemanor.org.uk](mailto:GMitchell@castlemanor.org.uk) and she will ensure your wishes are passed on.

A reminder that our term starts for Years 7,11 and the Arch on 6<sup>th</sup> September and they are joined by Years 8, 9 and 10 on 7<sup>th</sup> September. Our school day will start at 8.40 and students should aim to be in school by 8.35. We will still meet at our muster points in the mornings.

These few days will undoubtedly be challenging, thank you for your support and if you have any concerns please contact me on [VWhitcombe@castlemanor.org.uk](mailto:VWhitcombe@castlemanor.org.uk)

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

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