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Dear parent/carer

Leadership arrangements for September 2017

I would like to update you about the leadership team changes at Thomas Coram and Victoria for this September as a result of me taking on the role of Executive Headteacher for our partnership.

At Thomas Coram

I am delighted to announce that Mrs Jackie Cutler has been appointed Head of School, and that Miss Lisa Williamson and Mr Andy Phelan have been appointed Assistant Heads. I am very confident that they will continue to lead the school to many successes next year.

Mrs Deborah Winfrow will remain a key adviser to the SLT and continue her pivotal teaching role within our school family: please be assured that we will retain her considerable experience and valuable expertise on a part-time basis.

At Victoria

Mrs Kernohan-Neely has recently confirmed that she will sadly not be returning as Headteacher at Victoria and will be leaving the school at the end of this term. Due to health reasons, she will not be returning to the school before then.

I'm very pleased to announce that Mrs Caroline Crozier has been appointed Victoria's Head of School for September. Mrs Crozier is currently the Deputy Headteacher at Greenway School in Berkhamsted.

Victoria and Thomas Coram collaboration

We now have a very strong leadership team in place for Victoria and Thomas Coram from September, which I am very excited about working with, across both our schools. Preparation work has already started this term on how this team can work together more closely for the benefit of the children at both schools.

Both governing bodies strongly believe in and are committed to the ongoing provision of Church of England primary school education in Berkhamsted. Governors are currently analysing the further collaboration options available for Victoria and Thomas Coram under this new leadership structure. Once these have been discussed with the Diocese and the Local Authority, Hertfordshire County Council, a proposal will be put forward to staff, pupils, parents and carers and the wider community before any final decision on direction is taken.

If you have any further questions, please in the first instance contact the school office. If it can't be answered by the school leadership team, they will pass your query on to the Governors.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Halls
Headteacher