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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is great to be able to share wonderful news with you:

**Mrs Julie Knock is to become our permanent headteacher!**

You will be aware that over the last year, governors have been advertising for a new, permanent headteacher for Brede. This has probably seemed a long time to you and it certainly has to us!

We were very fortunate to have the leadership from Mrs Knock and Mrs Elliott for part of the last academic year and Mrs Knock's full time acting headship since September. In response to our first two advertisements, we had a number of applications but we hadn't found the right person for Brede.

However, the length of time taken for our search has paid off; it gave Mrs Knock time to recognise how much she really enjoys working with the children, staff, parents and governors at Brede and she applied for the headship. Interviews took place yesterday and I am thrilled to tell you that we have offered the post to Mrs Knock, and she has accepted, the permanent position from term 5 2023. *(Because her contract, as interim head at Brede, between the Local Authority and our school governors runs to that time, she will remain our acting headteacher until then.)*

Mrs Knock is very experienced, both as a headteacher and as a consultant head supporting and advising others. I know she intends to let you know more information about her previous experience and successes in due course. Her passion for Brede Primary School and her enthusiasm for its future development wowed us at interview. We are very fortunate to have her.

In finishing this letter I should like to thank you, the staff and school community for your patience whilst governors went through the recruitment process. I repeat; it has paid off!!

Best wishes,

  
Chair of Governors

