



Dear Parents and Carers

In 2016 I was fortunate to be appointed to be the Head Teacher of the Kimberley School. Those of you who knew the school then will remember that the school's performance had led to significant external pressures and I was appointed by the Governors and East Midlands Education Trust to work with the whole school community to drive improvements across all aspects of the school.

Since 2016 I have enjoyed working with Kimberley's talented staff, students, parents and governors. As a result of the work of this great community the school is now in a very different position. We are oversubscribed, exam results are now significantly better than national averages and we are an Ofsted rated "good" school. Most importantly we enjoy a good reputation for the quality of education and care that we provide for all of our students. Together, we also managed to navigate the many challenges that the pandemic threw at our students and we are now starting to see school return to a level of normality following two years of disruption. Kimberley School has a very bright future.

However, I have been a Head Teacher for 14 years and it is time for me to pursue different opportunities and challenges. It has been a pleasure to serve this community but, I am sure you will understand, the pressures have been relentless and it is time for me to prioritise different things in my life. This will mean that I will leave my post as Head Teacher of the Kimberley School at the end of December 2022.

Governors will now work with the East Midlands Education Trust to appoint a new Head Teacher who will join the school in January 2023. The post will be advertised nationally and I have every confidence that they will be able to appoint someone who will build on the work that we have all done together in the last six years and lead the school to many more successes in the future. In the mean time I will still be here until January 2023. Please do rest assured that I will continue to lead the school to the very best of my ability and will continue to drive the improvements that the school needs following the last two years of disruption.

As ever, thank you for all of your support.

Yours faithfully

Andrew George
Head Teacher