



Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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Communication from Mrs Savage

Dear Parents and Carers of Greenjays,

I am writing with an update regarding recruitment. As you know, last week I had informed you of Mrs Parrett's decision to leave us. At that point I was not able to let you know of replacement plans. As you will know with any recruitment plan it is not suitable or advisable to let details out early as they might not come to fruition.

Pleasingly, I can today write to you to say that Mrs Lucie McGill has accepted a post with us as teacher. I am even more delighted to say that she can start from 13th November. She will continue as Greenjays teacher for the rest of the school year. If Mrs Parrett returns from sick leave she and Mrs McGill will have the strongest possible handover. I have told the class this news today. Their relief is palpable but as always you should be proud of their sensible and wise questions- Is she kind? Yes. Does she like children? Yes. Does she like sports? Yes.

Lucie was a trainee with us during her placement and is glowing about being able to return to Jennett's. She has in the meantime been a teacher at two local schools and comes with a Masters in Inclusive Education. I am sure you will welcome her to the JPCE family. Please give her a little time to settle and get up to speed then she will hold a full parents evening. Ms Deauville is busily preparing October settling in records and after half term Ms Szadowski and she will share them even in advance of Mrs McGill running a late December slot with everyone who wishes to have one.

Lastly can I address what I know some of you are anxious about: Will another teacher leave? I'm confident we can settle Ms McGill into Jennett's Park. I cannot guarantee that other teachers might not leave. All I can do is plan for eventualities to move quickly if it happens. On a separate note I surveyed local colleagues and our stability for teachers remains very high in comparison. But please believe me I understand every loss to teaching is a potential loss to a child's future. All public services are fragile places in the current landscape and whilst you are the kindest and most supportive community there are strains on everyone in society.

Yours sincerely

Liz Savage
Headteacher of Jennett's Park CE Primary

