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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I wanted to write to let you know how delighted I am that I have been chosen to be your new head teacher. I have been the head at Carlton-in-Snaith Primary School, in Selby, for the past five years and I knew that the time was right for me to start a new adventure. As soon as I walked through your front door I knew that I wanted to join the Fishergate team. The behaviour and attitude of the children, the dedication and enthusiasm of the staff, the enormous involvement of parents in school and the sense of welcome and vibrancy made a huge impression on me. I know that working at Fishergate is going to make me very happy.

I believe that a school's job is to make sure that every child is allowed to be the best that they can be and that this can only be achieved by working in partnership with parents and carers. It also needs a very strong team; from the office to the teachers and teaching assistants, to the site manager, governors and the lunchtime staff. This is something that I saw time and time again during just one day in your school.

I have been lucky enough to live in York for the past twenty years and have two children who attend All Saints School. My husband is a Science teacher who is currently working in Kazakhstan! The school council told me that they wanted their new head teacher to be fit and healthy so I am very pleased to be able to tell you that I enjoy running and am currently training for a half marathon.

I know what a fantastic head teacher Mr Herbert has been and I intend to continue the work that he has been leading. I will be staying in contact with Ms Dixon, and coming into Fishergate as often as possible during the summer term to make sure that we can have a smooth handover in September. I am really looking forward to meeting each and every one of you and working with you to continue to take Fishergate forward.

Yours

Tina Clarke