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## End of Year School Staffing Updates

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the summer term and another school year comes to a close, I want to take this opportunity to personally thank each and every one of you for your continued support. The children and staff have worked tirelessly together throughout the year, and I am filled with great pride to be the Headteacher of this school. The year has been filled with so many wonderful learning experience, special events and memorable moments.

At the end of this school year, we say a fond farewell and good luck to the wonderful Miss Lupton who embarks on her new teaching venture at Oaklands Special High School. Miss Lupton has been an incredible asset to Darnhall since she started – not only in her fantastic teaching but also in her leadership of science across the school. We are so proud of you!

We also say farewell to Mrs Greenhalgh who has been a teaching assistant for us this year. Mrs Greenhalgh is off to Barclay's Bank to start her degree apprenticeship. A real favourite with our children and such a fun character – Mrs Greenhalgh will be back to help us when she can and will stay part of our Darnhall family.

Mrs Perrin is returning on Wednesday following her maternity leave and we will be saying a big thank you and farewell to Mrs Hughes, who has done a super job looking after all our nursery children, making learning such fun! Mrs Hughes won't be gone for long as we love having her at school as regular supply teacher.

Our lovely Miss Simpson has been away from school for over 18 months now and has decided that she wants to be a full-time mummy to her precious little one and older children. She is hoping to come back to Team D when her little girl is at school - so watch this space!

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Mrs Berry has some exciting news! She will be having a baby later this year so is taking her current class through to Year 5 before we find a new teacher to cover her maternity leave. Rather than swapping and changing teachers twice we knew it was best to keep her class with her until baby is ready to come. Mrs Kelsall knows the class inside out so she is staying with them all to ensure the transition at Christmas is a smooth one.

Ms James has been part of Team D and importantly Team Owls for a very long time now. She is off to pastures new with her partner and family as they relocate for Steve's very exciting job as a physio for Man City football players! Ms James has lovely relationships with children and staff; we will miss her sense of humour and positive 'can do' attitude every day. I know she is so proud of the Owl children and how hard they have worked this year.

I want to thank our small group of volunteers who listen to readers, help in the office and fundraise through the PTA. It really is appreciated and makes such a difference to the lives of our children and school life.

Now let's hope the sun shines this holiday so our children benefit from the great outdoors and having fun. Fingers crossed!

Remember we are contactable via [contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk) for any queries.

Kindest regards always,

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