

Dear families

### **Staffing Changes Term 3 2024**

We would like to inform you of some recent staffing changes at our Academy.

Kelsie Hill (Primary SENDCo) will be leaving us at the end of this term and taking up a position at a Junior and Infant School in Wakefield. Ms Hill has been an incredibly valuable member of the Primary phase, teaching across Year 5 and working hard to support staff to meet the needs of our most vulnerable students. She will be greatly missed by all staff and students here and we wish her the best of luck in her future role. Angelique O'Garro and Laura Jay will be acting SENDCos until our newly appointed SENDCo, Siobhhan Terrington, starts in April.

Stephen Fowkes (Assistant Vice Principal and all-through Designated Safeguarding Lead) will be starting a fantastic secondment opportunity in January at Dixons Unity Academy for a period of 12 months. Mr Fowkes has been a committed, hardworking member of the team who always finds time to support the needs of staff and students in both the primary and secondary phases. His presence at Dixons Trinity Chapeltown will be missed but we know that he will have significant impact supporting the needs of students across our Trust. Emma Hickey will be the all-through Designated Safeguarding Lead from 8 January.

If you are a family whose child has worked closely with Miss Hill or Mr Fowkes, further information about transition plans may be shared with you.

We would also like to inform you that Mrs Sairish Tariq (Primary HLTA) will be leaving our academy. She has been a committed and hardworking member of the Year 1 team and we wish her well for the future. This week, we have interviewed candidates for additional Teaching Assistant roles to add capacity within the Primary phase. I am pleased to announce that we have three new colleagues joining the team at the end of January. We look forward to welcoming Sahika Rashid, Samantha Linley and Nashida Leopold to the team.

If you have any questions relating to this news, please contact Angelique O'Garro (Head of Primary) or Emma Hickey (Head of Secondary) on [info@dixonstc.com](mailto:info@dixonstc.com).

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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