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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are keeping well, and your child is looking forward to the winter break.

As you know, I will be stepping down as Principal of Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy at the end of this term. It has been a great privilege and honour to serve the pupils and staff of Cliff Park for the last five years.

Whilst it was a difficult decision to leave such a wonderful academy, I am very much looking forward to enjoying my retirement after nearly 40 years of teaching and school leadership.

I consider myself very fortunate to have had the opportunity to lead Cliff Park where I have worked with some amazing children and talented staff. The Cliff Park community has become very dear to my heart, and I will leave with a great many memories of pupils, staff, parents and Governors.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a special thank you for the tremendous support I have received from parents, carers and families during my leadership as without it, so much that has been achieved, would not have been possible.

I am delighted to be passing the leadership of the academy into the very capable and experienced hands of Mrs Louise Watkins who, with her passion and dedication, will expertly steer the academy community through the next phase of its journey. I have the utmost confidence that the academy will continue to go from strength to strength under her leadership.

Finally, as we approach the festive season, I would like to wish everyone a very lovely and restful Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous 2024.

Thank you all once again.

Yours faithfully,

Kate Rutherford,

Principal

Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy



