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Dear parents and carers

We appreciate that parents are wanting further updates. We can confirm that Mrs Clark will be acting head when we return in September and that Mrs Bone will not be in school. We want to reassure that there is effective leadership and this will remain for as long as required. We understand that parents would like more information but at this stage we cannot give any further details or timelines.

For those that do not know Mrs Clark, she has been at Weald of Kent Grammar school for the last 27 years and has worked under all three headteachers during that time. She was part of SLG in 2007 when the school was inspected and received our outstanding rating. Mrs Clark has the relevant training in place to be leading the school as acting head since she has the National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH). Mrs Clark is going to be supported via coaching from the previous headteacher, Mrs Johnson, who can give her the required guidance to ensure she is effectively leading as the acting head.

Mrs Clark and the SLG team are very happy to speak to any parents that have concerns. For year 11 students, there is a meet and greet after the induction day on Wednesday, where parents can meet Mrs Clark and the SLG team.

The trustees and Mrs Clark have been working with the regional lead for the Department for Education following the Ofsted inspection, who has been very supportive and is also providing support and guidance.

There will be opportunities for parents to come into school at the start of the new academic year to meet with relevant staff and to hear about our plans for the coming year taking into account all feedback received as well as the Ofsted report.

Kind regards

The Trustee Board

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