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Dear Parents,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Roebuck Governing Body with an update on the work we are undertaking to recruit a new Headteacher for September 2017.

As you will be aware, Richard Fordham will be leaving at the end of the school year to become headteacher at a larger primary school. We are thankful for the wonderful job Richard has done with Roebuck over the last four years, leaving the school in an excellent position to move onwards and upwards, particularly as we become an Academy as part of the Hart Schools Trust.

I can let you know that we are already advertising for this role and we are looking to assess potential candidates on 25th May at the school. The interview panel will consist of governors and colleagues from the Hart Schools Trust, including Mark Lewis, Headteacher at Thomas Alleyne Academy. We also anticipate that pupils will be involved in the interview process.

I would also like to re-assure parents that we do not take our responsibility lightly – finding the right Headteacher to lead the school is the most important job we will undertake as a governing body. We are determined to recruit a Headteacher who is no less than exceptional.

As a governing body we appreciate for some parents there may be some anxiety at the change of headteacher at this time. Therefore, as noted by Richard Fordham in his letter to you, we will be holding an open drop in session for parents to talk to the governing body and ask any questions. This takes place on Wednesday 17th May at 9:00am and 3:15pm – everyone is welcome and there is no need to book an appointment. We will be happy to answer any questions.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me via the school office if you have any queries or questions.

Regards,

Steve Marshman
Chair of Governors

