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Dear families,

I hope you're all well.

I'm pleased to share some exciting news with you - we have appointed a new Principal to lead the school into its next exciting phase of development. Kevin Blakey will be joining the Great Yarmouth Charter Academy team, to lead our school, from September 2020.

Mr Blakey will be joining us from Eastern Multi-Academy Trust, where he is currently the Director of Secondary Education. Before joining the Eastern Multi-Academy Trust, Mr Blakey worked across the Inspiration Trust's family of schools. He has previously been Principal at The Thetford Academy and East Point Academy. He was also a Governor for Hethersett Academy.

Prior to working at Great Yarmouth Charter Academy I had the pleasure of working with Mr Blakey and I know that he will help the school and the pupils achieve great things. I couldn't imagine a better fit for our Charter team, families and pupils.

I will continue as Executive Principal at the school for a handover period and will then return to my role as Director of Inclusion for the Inspiration Trust. I'm pleased I could step in to support our team, families and pupils in the interim, while we recruited a new Principal. I look forward to working with Charter in my role as Director of Inclusion to deliver the Trust's Inclusion Strategy.

Great Yarmouth has a special place in my heart. Growing up in the Yarmouth area myself I know how important this school is to the community and everyone that attends, or has attended over the years. I will still be involved in the school through my Director of Inclusion role and I am sure that I'll still be seen at the school gates from time to time.

Our school has made incredible progress over the last few years and I am proud to have been part of the team that has helped to do this. I look forward to seeing it continue on that trajectory with Mr Blakey and the excellent team that he has supporting him.

I'm sure you'll join me in welcoming him to our community.

Best wishes,

Mr I Mackintosh
Executive Principal