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Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Trust and Governing Body for entrusting me to lead our great academy in the interim period before a substantive Principal is appointed. I am honoured to be asked to take on this role and would like to express my thanks to Mr Norden for all that he has contributed to the academy during his time here. He will be deeply missed by staff and students and we wish him well in his next venture.

I care deeply about Abbey Grange and believe strongly in our mission statement; In Partnership, to Educate, Nurture and Empower and am passionate about developing our students in all aspects of their lives. I will never settle for anything less because your children deserve the absolute best and I will do everything in my power to deliver that!

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support. Alongside our staff, governors and trust colleagues, you are an important part of our team and together, we can continue to make Abbey Grange the best that it can be.

We currently face uncertain times and I will continue to keep you updated on any new information we receive from the government and education authorities. I fully understand the anxieties that we are all facing and the pressures of remote learning on our students, parents and carers and really appreciate all of the hard work that is taking place at home each day. Please know that we will endeavour to support your children both academically and emotionally through the current situation and also when they return to our school building. We remain committed to students receiving a rounded education, including academic success and social, moral, spiritual and cultural development.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Thornton
Acting Principal

