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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **New Headteacher Appointment**

We are delighted to announce that following a national recruitment campaign, a new Headteacher has been appointed to lead Clifton with Rawcliffe from January 2023.

Claire Fielding, who is currently the Headteacher of Stamford Bridge Primary School, will take over from Mr Herbert following his retirement at the end of the year.

We were fortunate to have a number of strong applicants for the role and after a rigorous two-day interview process we are confident that Mrs Fielding has the skills and experience to build on the excellent foundations in place and continue to develop the school.

Prior to her role at Stamford Bridge Primary School, Mrs Fielding was Headteacher at Melbourne Primary School in the East Riding and has served as Acting Executive Headteacher for both schools. In York, she has worked at Haxby Road Primary School, Westfield Primary School and also at Clifton with Rawcliffe where she was the Lower Key Stage 2 Phase Leader and helped formulate the vision for the new school when it opened to children in 2011.

During her time as Headteacher at Stamford Bridge and Melbourne primary schools, she led both schools to achieve Good Ofsted judgements with the reports highlighting the strength of leadership and vision of excellence at each school.

The interview panel were impressed with Mrs Fielding's ambitions for Clifton with Rawcliffe, in particular, her collaborative leadership approach and, most importantly, her aspiration for children to gain a lifelong love of learning through a rich, values-based education.

We wanted a Headteacher who could manage the day-to-day demands of running the school alongside building on the hard work and achievements of Mr Herbert and the staff, students and governors at the school. Mrs Fielding's strong track record and vision for the school will ensure all children continue to develop and thrive at Clifton with Rawcliffe leaving the school as confident and independent young people.

We are looking forward to working with Mrs Fielding in her new role and we are sure you will join us in welcoming her to Clifton with Rawcliffe in the new year.

Yours faithfully,



**Andrew Daly**  
Chief Executive Officer



**Donna Wass**  
Chair of Governors

