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To Parent/Guardian of Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge School

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Dear Parent/Guardian

As you may be aware, the school has recently held a recruitment process to appoint a substantive Headteacher for Maiden Erlegh Chiltern Edge. We were extremely fortunate to have had significant interest in this role. I showed a number of potential candidates around the school and they were impressed with the calm atmosphere and the dedication of the staff and students.

I understand that there has been some anticipation in the community about this role, but you will appreciate that we must go through a rigorous process in order to get the right person to lead your child's school. I am delighted that I can announce that Mr Andrew Hartley has been appointed to the role and will start in January 2020.

Mr Hartley is currently Deputy Headteacher at Brakenhale School in Bracknell Forest and he has worked in variety of schools in the area. He brings a wealth of experience to the role and is committed, not just to raising standards further, but also to developing closer ties with local primary schools and the community.

In order for him to spend time with staff in the school, and for him to start working on his priorities with them, the Trust has approved an exceptional additional Professional Development day on 6 January 2020. The school will, therefore, be closed on that day and term will start on 7 January 2020.

Until then, the current leadership arrangements will remain in place and I thank the leadership team for their exceptional work and resilience.

Over the next half term, Mr Hartley will be working with me and the school to prepare for his start, and I am sure he will be writing to parents shortly to introduce himself personally.

Your sincerely

Mary Davies
Chief Executive Officer