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Dear parents and carers,

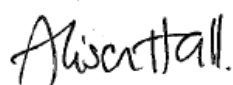
It is with great delight and excitement that I write to you as the newly appointed, substantive Head of Kings Mill School and Residence. Of course, I am already known to many of you through my role as Assistant head, ABA classroom teacher and more recently as the interim Headteacher, since Gail's retirement at Christmas.

I have been part of the Kings Mill community since completing my final teaching practice, at the school in 1989, and what a journey it has been. My passion has always been to teach children and young people with severe and complex multiple learning needs. That was when I moved to the area, to complete my specialist teaching degree, and never looked back. I fell in love with Yorkshire, met my husband and had two children.

During my extensive career at Kings Mill I have worked with and supported several leaders in order to initiate and create change. It has given me experience of a wide range of school developments and expertise in the field of special education. I am totally loyal and committed to Kings Mill because its ethos and aims are those that I strongly believe in and have strived towards at every stage of my career. It is an amazing place to work and I am so proud, committed and eager to continue to work with the motivated and dedicated governors, leadership, staff teams and of course fabulous pupils. . Together we strive to continue to move the school forward, to work with you and to provide our children with the 'Learning for Life' education that will give them the skills and confidence to be happy, fulfilled, independent individuals, with a loud voice!

As you know it has been an exceptionally strange and challenging 18 months, for us all. We have especially missed having parents in the school and can't wait to welcome you back. So, with that in mind we are planning to hold the school sports day as our first event in the new academic year. We hope that the weather is kind and that you will be able to join us to celebrate our pupil's sporting achievements.

Very best wishes



Alison Hall
Headteacher