

# Martenscroft Nursery School and Children's Centre



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with mixed feelings that I write this letter to let you know some significant staffing changes here at Martenscroft from September 2017.

After seventeen incredibly successful years teaching at Martenscroft, Jan Nettleton our outstanding nursery lead teacher, will be retiring at the end of this Summer Term. I am sure you will join me in thanking Jan for all her wonderful contributions and unwavering dedication to the children and families here at Martenscroft. She will be greatly missed and we all wish her a very happy and healthy retirement. The good news is that she will remain a supportive and active member of the Governing Board so you may still see Jan around school in September.

Some of you may already know, but after nearly six privileged years of leading the provision here at Martenscroft I have resigned from my role as headteacher here and will leave at the end of this Summer Term. It is with sadness that I leave here, but also with excitement as I will be taking up a unique opportunity at an expanding primary school in Didsbury this September as Head of School. I would like to thank you for all the wonderful support and encouragement that you have given me and the whole school and centre community throughout my years here. I have loved my time at Martenscroft and it has been a pleasure to work with and lead such a talented and dedicated team of staff, governors, parents, carers and a wide range of multi-agencies. We have worked effectively and collaboratively together in providing the best opportunities for all the children and families we come into contact with, and I have every confidence that Martenscroft will continue to do so. I have learned and experienced so much during my time here and I shall leave Martenscroft proud of all the achievements that have been made together.

I am delighted that Lisa Taylor, our current deputy headteacher, has been appointed as the headteacher in September and we are now concentrating on organising thorough handover



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arrangements so the transition is a smooth one ready for the new academic year. We have also appointed Donna Crawford, a very experienced and skilled early years leader, as our new deputy headteacher from September and she will be teaching in Willow room along with Steph Clarke.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to let you know about some other staff positions that are currently advertised here at Martenscroft. Following Stacie's move to a promotion with HMRC we are advertising for an admin and finance officer and also two part time admin assistant positions at Moss Side Children's Centre. Please see our website for more information or ask at Reception.

I look forward to working with you on all the exciting things we have planned for children and families for the rest of this term, and I wish you and the school community all the very best for the future. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to speak to me or a member of the staff team.

Yours sincerely,

Liz Hardy  
Headteacher

