SHINCLIFFE C. of E. (CONTROLLED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I am writing to inform you that I have accepted a new national position with the Church of England Education Office as Deputy Head of SIAMS (the church school inspection process). I will be working with inspectors and schools throughout the country as part of the delivery of a new national system of inspection. I will leave Shincliffe at the end of the school year in July.

It has been a privilege to serve the school community for the past 7 years and to work with so many children and families. It has been a particular delight to work with our exceptional staff team. They are a dedicated group of professionals who work ceaselessly to ensure that the children develop and flourish as confident, successful young people who experience our school vision of 'life in all its fulness.'

I would like to offer my sincere thanks to you all for the support that you have given me and the school over the years. In particular, the way in which we have worked together to successfully navigate the challenges of the Covid pandemic. This school rightly enjoys an excellent reputation within the Local Authority. I know I will be leaving the school in very safe hands: we are fortunate in having a committed Governing Body, strong leadership team and very many skilled and dedicated staff.

The Governing Body have started the process for appointing my successor. We will keep you updated on the outcome.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tait