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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know we have recently been in the process of recruiting a new headteacher and our school attracted applications from a range of strong and well-qualified candidates, as you would expect. The selection process was rigorous and held over two days. During that time the candidates met our pupils and staff, led assembly and met with representatives of the school Governing Body and Local Authority, to share their ambitions for Bawtry Mayflower and their own philosophy. There was much to consider in ensuring that the person appointed held values and a vision that aligned with those of our school and the school community.

I am now able to share with you the very good news that Mrs Lisa Powell has been appointed as our school's next headteacher. Mrs Powell is currently the Deputy Headteacher at Our Lady of Sorrows in Armthorpe. She is an experienced teacher and senior leader, who comes highly recommended to us, and will officially take up her post from 1st September 2022.

The selection committee are confident that they have appointed the very best headteacher for Bawtry Mayflower Primary School, and that Mrs Powell and Mrs Walker and the school leadership team will continue to lead the school successfully together. Mrs Powell will be visiting our school during the final half term of this academic year to familiarise herself with her new school. She is very much looking forward to getting to know everybody in the school community; equally I know that we in school, and all of our parents and carers, will offer Mrs Powell a warm welcome.

For my part I wish Mrs Powell and the wonderful team at Bawtry Mayflower the very best in their work. It has truly been a pleasure to work with the Bawtry Mayflower team and I know that I will find it hard to say goodbye to them, and all of you at the end of this term. I will be returning to Tickhill Estfeld in September, but for only two days each week, as I wish to spend more time with my family. I fully expect to remain in contact with all at Bawtry Mayflower, and trust that our schools can continue to work together and support each other, as we have done in recent years.

Yours sincerely

Miss Diane Risley  
Executive Headteacher

