



# LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

After much thought and careful consideration, I have very sadly made the very difficult decision to resign from the position of Headteacher of Lionel Walden Primary School on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022. Unfortunately, this has come much earlier than I had planned and is due to a very close member of my family deteriorating from a significant and debilitating health condition. If I were to continue working, I am sure I would later regret not relinquishing my position sooner.

I have spent almost twenty-eight years at Lionel Walden, six years as a Class Teacher during my first appointment, and then almost twenty-two years as Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher. The whole school community has meant so much to me over these years and I cannot yet imagine it not being a large part of my life. I shall be very sad to leave. I can assure you that I shall remain as fully committed to my role until my last working day and will do everything I can to ensure that everything is in place for the new academic year and beyond. We shall very shortly begin the process of recruiting a new Headteacher who will have the privilege of leading the future development of the school.

I have worked with such an excellent and committed team of staff and governors, as well as fantastic pupils and parents over the years, and will hold many treasured memories of all the experiences and events along the way.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S A Barnard-Taylor  
Headteacher

