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Dear Parents/Carers,

I'm writing to inform you of some important changes to the leadership of our Special Educational Needs provision within Sandhill View Academy and across the Southmoor Multi Academy Trust (MAT).

At the end of the Spring Term 2019, our SENDCO, Miss Holt will be leaving us to move onto an exciting position in another school. I'm sure many of you who have worked with Miss Holt will recognise the excellent work she has done for our children with SEND; she leaves with our sincere thanks and best wishes for continued success in her new role.

I am delighted to inform you of some changes to the leadership structure of SEND across the Southmoor MAT. At the start of the Summer Term, Ms Olivia McCourt will commence a new position within the trust, as Director of SEND. Ms McCourt is already known to many staff here at Sandhill View as a result of our partnership work with Southmoor and we are very much looking forward to working under her expert guidance. Ms McCourt will be ably supported by Miss Ashleigh Summerside, who joins us in the capacity of Deputy SENDCO across the trust.

While Ms McCourt will be responsible for the strategic leadership of SEND provision across the two schools in the MAT, and will work across both schools, Miss Summerside will be based predominantly at Sandhill View Academy. All staff will be working closely together over the coming weeks to ensure a smooth transition. Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school for more information.

Yours faithfully,

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