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Dear students, parents and stakeholders,

In recognition of his service to the school, the trust has offered Mr Dennett a term's paid sabbatical leave to study, travel and prepare for his new role at Larkmead School in September. This is an arrangement that is familiar to those in higher education and some school sectors.

We are delighted to be able to offer this to a school leader who has given so much to Fitzharrys School and to the education and wider community of Abingdon. Mr Dennett will therefore finish as Headteacher in the school at the end of this term.

You will be aware from recent communications that Mr Will Speke was appointed as Head of School for Fitzharrys, initially with a start date of 1 September, as Mr Dennett starts his new role at Larkmead School.

We are therefore able to bring Mr Speke's appointment forward to the start of the summer term, providing continuity in leadership at Fitzharrys and enabling Mr Speke to take on his new role, meet parents of the in-coming Year 7, finalise staffing appointments and prepare thoroughly for the new school year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Dennett for his service to the school, and wish him well for his sabbatical period, and for his new role at Larkmead.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Fiona Hammans
CEO, Abingdon Learning Trust

Mark Hindley
Chair of Local Academy Board
Fitzharrys School