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## **Cherry Tree Academy**

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Dear Parents and Families,

I hope that you are well.

I am writing this letter to outline a change to the teaching staff within year 5/6 Wharfedale.

Firstly, I am acutely aware of the unavoidable disruption that the children have faced – not only this academic year but in previous ones.

Mrs Waite, has been teaching the children in Wharfedale since we returned back after the summer break. She has now left the school to pursue her dream of travelling abroad. I thank her for all of her efforts, time and commitment to our children since September.

Mrs Storey, our experienced deputy headteacher will be temporarily taking over teaching responsibilities from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October. Mrs Storey has been a member of staff at Cherry Tree for a number of years and I am confident that she will give our children the consistency that they need and deserve.

That said, I am available to meet with parents and families of children in year 5/6 on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30pm to discuss any worries, concerns or to answer any questions that you may have.

If you are unable to attend, please feel free to contact the school office to make an appointment.

Finally, Mrs Wilde has been part of the Waterton Trust family for a number of years. Before the summer break she had to take a period of leave to focus on her health. Since I have worked with Mrs Wilde, I have always found her to be caring, dedicated and hardworking to ensure that our children and those in her class are given every opportunity to succeed.

I, the staff and children wish Mrs Wilde all he best with her recovery and cannot wait to have her back in school.

Thank you, as always for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Adam Dawson Headteacher