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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Goodbye Ken and Thank you!**

You may remember that I wrote to you in April 2024 to inform you of important changes to the Senior Leadership Team of the school. Ken Johnson has made the decision to retire having served this community for the last 17 years as Headteacher. He has been a teacher in Lewisham for 33 years and was Headteacher at Kilmorie for 7 years before joining our school. His contribution to DPPS and the communities he has served has been invaluable.

Leona Baffour after a successful period of Co-Headteacher this year, will be the sole Headteacher from September 2024. Whilst we are excited for the next academic year ahead with Leona as leader, on behalf of the Governors and staff at Deptford Park we extend our deepest thanks to Ken for his dedication and service over the last 17 years. We wish Ken a well-deserved and fulfilling retirement. Over the next few days, I am sure you will want to take the opportunity to say goodbye to him.

Finally, I am sure you will want to join me in thanking all of the Deptford Park staff team for their hard work and commitment to the children and community this year. I would also like to thank you for your support, encouragement and belief in this very special school where children and staff deserve nothing but the best.

As the end of the academic year draws to a close, I hope you and your child are looking forward to an enjoyable, safe and fun summer.

With every best wish,

Laura McMorran  
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