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Headteacher: Mrs S. King

Dear Parent/Carers

Year Leader change December 2021

The pastoral system at BFS is a very important part of our care and support for individuals whilst they are in the school. Every child is placed in a tutor group and stays in that tutor group from Year 7 to Year 11. Since my arrival as Headteacher, I have kept the Year Leader for Year 7 as a fixed post so we can develop stronger partnerships and transition work with our feeder primary schools. When students progress to Year 8 they will have the same Year Leader until Year 11, providing them with consistency as they journey through the school. We pride ourselves in knowing our students well and seeing them as individuals with their own unique gifts and interests.

From time to time staff will leave BFS to progress their careers or relocate. This year Ms Hammond will be leaving us at the end of this term to pursue her dream of travelling and will be replaced as Year Leader by Mrs Adrienne Ford. Mrs Ford is a very experienced tutor and teacher who has been working with Ms Hammond to complete a carefully considered handover plan before the end of this term.

Each Year Leader works closely with their tutors and key non-teaching Pastoral staff – such as the Special Educational Needs team; Behaviour and Safeguarding & Mental Health teams, to ensure that your child is fully supported across the various stages of their journey throughout the school. I am very confident that we have a very strong pastoral team led by Deputy Headteacher, Mr East.

I would like to thank Ms Hammond for her commitment and hard work during her time at BFS – she has been a fantastic and committed Year Leader. On behalf of the whole school community we would like to wish her the very best with her travels and in the next stage of her career.

If you have any queries regarding any of these changes, please email <u>admin@bristolfreeschool.org.uk</u> and the appropriate person will contact you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S King Headteacher

