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Dear Parent

We have been informed by Mrs Michele Hutchinson and Mr Alan Brown that they intend to retire from teaching at the end of this term. Both teachers have been part of the fabric of Iveagh for very many years, between them gathering a total of 56 years' service to Iveagh.

Mrs Hutchinson began her career in Iveagh on 1<sup>st</sup> September 1988. Such is her commitment to Iveagh that it has been her first and only school.

In her 36 years here, she has cared for and nurtured many generations of children. Michele has a wonderful way with all pupils and has an amazing ability to get the very best from each and every child. In her role she combines professionalism with motherly love for those children in her care.

Mr Brown began his career in Iveagh on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2004 having previously taught in Belfast, Dromore Central and Kinallen before taking up his role as Vice-Principal in Iveagh.

In his 20 years here, he has been at the forefront of developing P7 pupils, readying them for transfer tests and then preparing them for their experience of secondary education. In this role he has developed close bonds with pupils who, many years later, still value his input and guidance in their lives.

Both teachers have been at the forefront of development in Iveagh as integral members of the school's leadership team. For this, and so many other reasons, they will be fondly remembered and very much missed by pupils, staff, and parents alike. For both individuals, the staff and Governors of Iveagh would like to be the first to thank them both for all that they have done and wish them every blessing for a long, happy, and fulfilled retirement.

Mr Brown's replacement as VP has now been ratified by the Education Authority and we are pleased to inform you that Mrs Jenny Bingham will take over as VP. Again, we wish Jenny every success as she takes over this role.

Yours sincerely

S. Carlisle

