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Dear Parents/Carers

I write to inform you that as of September 1st Mrs Hardy will no longer be the Principal of East Leake Academy. She has secured a position of Principal of The de Ferrers Academy in Burton-upon-Trent. This will provide her with a new personal and professional challenge of leading 2,200 students and over 200 staff.

Mrs Hardy would like all to know that it has been a huge honour and a privilege to be part of the academy and community and thanks you all for your fantastic support. She is extremely proud of the accomplishments we have achieved together.

As governors we always work closely with the senior team in the best interests of the academy and succession planning is always on our agenda. Therefore, we are delighted that Mr Francis will be Acting Principal from September 2019 and we have every confidence that the academy will continue to thrive.

The governors would like to thank Mrs Hardy for all her hard work which has seen significant improvements across the academy.

**Prof. J Dickens**  
**Chair of Governors**

