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Mrs Mary See

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly I would like to introduce myself as the new Chair of Governors. My name is Will Fraser and I am a parent of Harry and Emma, who are in Year 3 and Year 1 at Cheselbourne. I am a teacher and have worked in both the state and independent sectors at senior and junior schools in the UK, Australia and South Africa. I am currently a Housemaster at Milton Abbey School.

I am writing to inform you of some recent changes to the staffing structure at Cheselbourne Village School.

Due to changes in school funding that have affected all schools in Dorset and the rest of the country, at the end of last term the Governors instructed Mary See to restructure the staffing of the school to ensure Cheselbourne Village School was in a healthy and viable financial position, based upon the number of children we have in school at the start of this academic year. As a result of this Mrs Price offered to take voluntary redundancy at half term and Miss McIntrye, Miss Gatrill, Miss Bagwell and Mrs Mullet offer to reduce their hours to meet the needs of the school.

On behalf of the Governors, I would like to thank the staff for their commitment and loyalty to the school. Their thoughtful understanding and appreciation of the school's position and their flexibility has enabled Mrs See to structure the staffing to best suit the needs of the pupils, whilst ensuring no further debt to the school is accrued, thereby aiming to secure the long term future of what is a truly remarkable school, providing an outstanding education for all its pupils.

As parents we are so lucky to have such a wonderful group of teachers and support staff who care so deeply about and work so hard on behalf of our children. Working at Cheselbourne is much more than a job to the team at Cheselbourne who invest so much into giving the best educational outcomes for the pupils. Under Mrs See's leadership the school is moving into an exciting time of which our children and our wider community will be the beneficiaries.

There will be an opportunity to celebrate Mrs Price's contribution to Cheselbourne later in the term. In the meantime should you have any questions for myself or Mrs See, or both, please let Mrs White know so that we can book you an appointment to see us.

Yours sincerely,

Will Fraser

Chair of Governors
Cheselbourne Village School

