

25th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move towards the end of this term, we would like to take the opportunity to update you with the Head of School post, since Mrs Oliver is moving to her new post at Easter.

As you know, Mrs Oliver has worked incredibly hard to secure a good quality of education for our children at Pelynt for which we are very grateful. She is a tough leader to replace! We know it has to be the right person, and this has proved to be a challenge. We have worked with staff to secure an arrangement which will be in place for at least the summer term.

Mr Knight will assume the role of senior teacher taking the lead with day-to-day aspects of running the school and will be your point of contact for anything class teachers or Mrs Thompson can't help with. Mr Hannah (Duloe Head of School) will also be working with the team. He is an experienced Head, having moved Duloe to a secure good level of education and Duloe is a similar sized school; so he understands many of the benefits and complexities this brings. He will take on the interim position of Head of School for Pelynt and will regularly be on site every week, working alongside Mr Knight. Mr Hannah is visiting the school this week and will be in touch with you soon. Mrs Sanson will also continue to support Pelynt on a regular basis.

Mrs Fitzsimmons will be extending her hours in class 2 and cover has been arranged for Mr Knight to be released for his senior teacher responsibilities from after Easter.

We are sure these arrangements will help Pelynt to continue to thrive while we readvertise the substantive post in the summer term. It is an important decision, and we want to make the right decision for the future of our children and community.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope everyone enjoys a lovely Easter Holiday and wish Mrs Oliver the best of luck with her new post.

Very Best Wishes,

Adrian Massey
Chief Executive

Sarah Sanson
Executive Head for Pelynt