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Dear Parent/Carer,

You may now have been informed by your child that I will be leaving Downlands at the end of this term. It has been a hard decision for me to make after spending 25 years as a teacher, over 12 of which have been at this school. However, I feel absolutely confident that your child will be fully supported by the wonderful Year 11 team, especially the ever dependable Mrs Hudson, their fantastic tutors and all the other staff who teach them and work closely with them.

It has been a huge privilege to watch your child grow and develop over their five years here. Aiding them with the transition challenges that life presents and watching them overcome them is one of the best aspects of being a teacher. I have been so lucky to be their Achievement Leader. It's been an absolute pleasure working with each and every one of them.

I would like to thank all of you for your help and support in cementing the partnership between home and school which is so important in ensuring a child achieves their best. Working collaboratively with parents and carers is also a part of my job as Achievement Leader that I have enjoyed immensely.

Although I will no longer be in school day to day, I will be following your child's progress. I look forward to hearing about their personal endeavours and celebrating their success in August 2019.

Once again, thank you. I wish you all a happy Christmas and a peaceful 2019.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Norton'.

P Norton  
Achievement Leader Year 11

