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Dear Parents and Carers

As you know, over the last 18 months we have been working in close partnership with Sapperton Church of England Primary School in an Interim Executive Headteacher arrangement. During this time, under Gary Price's experienced leadership, both schools have seen significant benefits in areas such as professional development, curriculum enrichment, shared expertise, moderation, and support through external inspections.

We are incredibly proud that both Horsley and Sapperton received *Good* ratings from Ofsted. This, along with this year's glowing SIAMS review, confirms what we as governors strongly believe: **Horsley continues to thrive as a nurturing, high-quality learning environment.** This success is the result of the dedication and hard work of Gary, our talented senior leadership team, and all of our wonderful staff. We would like to sincerely thank them for their unwavering passion and commitment to the school and its children.

The partnership with Sapperton will conclude at the end of this academic year. From September 2025, Gary will be supporting Gastrells Primary School in a similar Interim Executive Headteacher capacity while they recruit a new Head. **We want to reassure you that the day-to-day running of Horsley will continue to be in excellent hands:** our highly capable Co-Acting Deputy Heads, Pete Feldon and Jo Everett, will continue to lead the school when Gary is not on site. Over the past 18 months, they have demonstrated outstanding leadership and a deep commitment to the children, staff and school community.

This continued arrangement reflects Horsley's values as an outward-looking school, committed to collaboration and shared growth for the benefit of all.

Wishing you and your families a restful and enjoyable summer.

Yours faithfully,

David Savage,
Chair of Governors