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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to share an update on leadership arrangements at Ashburton Primary School.

We are pleased to have appointed Mrs Annette Layland as Acting Headteacher of the school. Mrs Layland joined the school in September as Deputy Headteacher and Year 1 teacher. She quickly established herself as an integral part of the Senior Leadership Team and is well-placed to lead the school at this time.

In doing so, she will be supported by Mr Nathan Kemp who remains at the school as School Improvement Lead. Together they will work to enhance standards across the school and ensure all the pupils receive the education they deserve. They will continue to receive support from WeST, and we are working closely with the team to drive improvement in all areas.

Recruitment for a permanent replacement is underway and we will inform you as soon as an appointment has been made.

Thank you for your continuing support of the school and the role you play in your child's education.

Wishing you an enjoyable and restful Christmas and a very happy new year.

Yours sincerely,



Nat Parnell
Deputy CEO
Westcountry Schools Trust