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Dear parents and carers

As you know the Governing Board has been recruiting for a new Headteacher to start in September 2022, following the retirement of our very experienced Executive Headteacher Antoinette Drinkhill. After a comprehensive process, we are pleased to announce that we have appointed Mrs Susie Arnold to be our new Headteacher from September 2022.



Mrs Arnold is currently an Interim Headteacher at Broom Valley Community School, Rotherham and is Executive Headteacher at Pollington- Balne CE Primary School, Goole, where she has been for the last two years. Mrs Arnold has a wealth of experience and has been a Headteacher for fifteen years securing improvement across different schools in Yorkshire. She did in fact start her teaching career in Barnsley.

We are looking forward to Mrs Arnold joining us and are confident that she will lead our school forward into the next phase of its journey at Penistone St John's.

Whilst I write this letter, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sullivan and all the staff at Penistone St John's for their continued hard work and ensuring a seamless transition during this interim period.

Over the next few months Mrs Arnold will be visiting the school and working with current leaders to support a smooth transition.

I'm sure you will join me in welcoming Mrs Arnold to our school.

With kind regards,

Every Blessing,

The Revd David J. Hopkin.
Chair of Governors.

