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Dear Parents of Pupils with Special Educational Needs

Important information about the leadership of SEND and Inclusion

I am writing to inform you that Mr James Simmons, our Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO), will be leaving Archbishop Ilsley Catholic School at the end of this academic year, after 20 years of dedicated service.

During his time with us, Mr Simmons has shown exceptional commitment to supporting our pupils with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). His care, expertise and tireless advocacy have made a real and lasting difference to the lives of so many young people and their families. We are deeply grateful for everything he has contributed to our school community over the past two decades and I am sure you would agree. Mr Simmons will still be checking his emails, so if you would like to send him a good luck message or if you want to remind him of the impact he has had on your child, I am sure he would appreciate that. His email address is simmonsj@ilsley.bham.sch.uk

We understand that change can bring uncertainty, and we would like to reassure you that we are taking steps to ensure a smooth transition. We have appointed Mrs Tonry from a school in Warwickshire. She has already made a great impression with me and colleagues and she is very excited to start work here and meet you and your child(ren).

In the interim, Mr Koryl will be seconded onto the leadership team as an Assistant Headteacher to take responsibility for SEND and Inclusion. Mr Koryl, a former headteacher, is a highly skilled and experienced professional; your child's educational experience will be in safe hands with him at the helm. If you want to email Mr Koryl, you can do so by using our generic email address senco@ilsley.bham.sch.uk Both Mrs Tonry and Mr Koryl will have access to this email address.

In addition, we have given Ms Salter, a highly promising History teacher, the title of SEND Champion. You will be hearing from all three colleagues early in September

In the meantime, on behalf of everyone at Archbishop Ilsley Catholic School, I would like to thank Mr Simmons for his outstanding service and wish him every happiness and success in the future.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Enjoy your summer.

Yours sincerely,

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