

Dear parents, carers and guardians,

It is with mixed emotions that I write to inform you of my decision to resign my post as Pastoral and Academic Lead for year 8 at Olney.

At the end of the Spring term, I shall be going on maternity leave, and so decided that a period of transition whilst I am still present on the school site would be in the best interests of the students.

Year 8's pastoral care will be overseen by Mr. Crofts as of January. I have worked closely with Mr. Crofts over the last three years, as we have both been part of the pastoral team at Ousedale (he for much longer than I have!) and know that he will oversee the year group with great care and consideration.

I shall still be teaching English at the Olney site until the Easter break, so will still be a presence. It is my hope that this will also ensure as smooth a transition as possible for those students that have required more careful and intensive interventions since joining Ousedale, as it means that I will be on hand to support Mr. Crofts prior to my leave commencing.

As well as contact details for Mr. Crofts, I have also included a reminder of all of year 8's form tutors email addresses below. Please do utilise the contact details of form tutors for more minor pastoral concerns in the first instance.

It has been a privilege to oversee the transition year of this cohort as they joined Ousedale last year; they have certainly made me proud on many occasions.

Kind regards,

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