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Dear Parents & Carers

As you are probably aware I have decided to step back from my role of Headteacher, and more recently Co-Headteacher, at Swanwick School & Sports College after 14 years.

Since joining the school in September 2011 we have been on a continuous journey of improvement in order to make our school the best it can be for our pupils. This included becoming an Outstanding school in 2015, a Teaching School (Matrix TS) in 2016 and most recently the Lead school in Potentia Teaching School Hub. Potentia delivers Initial Teacher Training, Early Career training for teachers and National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) for hundreds of schools across the County. All of this work is delivered to ensure pupils with SEND are not forgotten.

During the past 14 years the number of children has doubled, we implemented the 'Hub' in 2013 to meet a need still prevalent across the county today and most recently we introduced our Nurture and Cognition Pathways. These pathways ensure all of our pupils have access to the support and curricula best matched to their needs. In November 2024 Ofsted once again judged our efforts as outstanding but more importantly they recognised our focus on the personal and social development of our pupils.

The school has faced some difficult times and situations over the years and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Governors, both past and current, for their unrelenting support during these times. Volunteering as a Governor can be a hugely rewarding role but also a role that can be stressful and time consuming so once again they have my thanks.

Over the past 14 years our staff team has doubled in size and year on year we have been able to bring in high quality people to support the needs of our pupils. Some of these staff have moved onto pastures new and many have taken the SSSC ethos into their new roles to support young people with SEND in other settings. The current staff team is the strongest we have ever had and I would like to thank them for their unwavering support.

As parents and carers you have fought for your child to receive the best possible support. I would like to think that many of you are thankful for the support the school has been able to offer your child and likewise your continued support has always been valued extremely highly. I know that as the school moves on to its' next chapter you will continue to offer the school your whole-hearted support.

SSSC has always been a wonderful place to work because of the fantastic pupils. Every single visitor we welcome into the school comments on how amazing the young people are from the willingness to get involved, their politeness and their determination to be the best that they can be. I will be forever grateful for getting the opportunity to work with these amazing people both past and present.

Finally, I would like to offer my congratulations to Mrs England on her new role as full time Headteacher at Swanwick School & Sports College. Mrs England has played a pivotal role in my journey of the past 14 years and I know that she will give her all to ensure further success for all members of our school community for many years to come.

Yours sincerely Chris Greenhoug

Headteachers: C Greenhough & D England







