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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to let you know that sadly, Mrs Watson, the SENDCo across both the Infant and the Junior School will be leaving her position at the end of the Summer term. Mrs Watson has secured a full time position, closer to home, where she will continue to support families within the Scarborough area. Our loss is certainly their gain and we wish Mrs Watson all the very best for her future career. With her passion and sound knowledge and understanding of all things SEND, she will certainly be an asset to her new team. Mrs Watson will be sorely missed by her colleagues, children and families at both schools.

Despite the huge loss to both ourselves and Pickering Infant and Nursery School, Mrs Watson's resignation has given us the opportunity to review the shared post across the two schools. Although there are obvious benefits to the existing arrangement, the Governing Boards at both schools have agreed to appoint a SENDCo at each school from September 2026. Although the two post-holders will continue to work very closely together, particularly around transition, they will be responsible for leading the provision for our pupils with SEND at each of their schools, a model that is far more in keeping with the current SEND educational landscape.

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Morris has been appointed as the SENDCo at the Junior School from September 2026. Mrs Morris will continue to work every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and will continue to deliver our cookery provision every other Wednesday. Mrs Morris will also continue to teach in Year 3/4 every Friday. Over the next few weeks, Mrs Morris will be doing lots of hand over work with Mrs Watson in preparation for September

Yours sincerely

Mrs M De Barr

Headteacher

