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Saddleworth School Headship – Announcement from Trust

Dear Parents and Carers

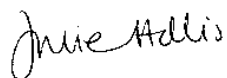
You will be sorry to hear that Mr Mike Anderson, Headteacher of Saddleworth School, is leaving after 5 and a half years of dedicated service to the young people of the school. Under his leadership Saddleworth moved to its beautiful new site, the growth began, and the school has become a hub for the community. He led the school through Covid lockdowns and steered the necessary changes in curriculum from which pupils have benefitted. We wish him every success and happiness in the future.

From Tuesday, 24th February the direction and improvement of the school will be led by 2 Executive Headteachers from The Cranmer Education Trust, Mr Higgins, Headteacher of Blue Coat and Mr Heyes, Headteacher of St Anne's. They will work with other senior trust staff and advisers who are already in the school and will be joined in due course by an interim Headteacher who will be responsible for the day-to-day running of the school until the new substantive headteacher is appointed.

Cranmer Education Trust will keep you informed of developments.

In the meantime, if you need to contact the school, please go through the normal channels, i.e. your child's form tutor or Head of Year for pastoral and welfare matters, and the Head of Department for issues which affect learning and progress. If you are not sure who is the right person to contact, please speak to the school office for advice. Matters which are already in process will be followed up, and any appointments with Mr Anderson will be rescheduled with an appropriate school leader.

Yours sincerely



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