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Dear Colleagues

I am writing to inform you that Hamilton School's Headteacher, Mrs Jane Straw will be leaving at the end of April having taken that decision.

We wish to thank Jane for her hard work, support and dedication to the students, parents, and staff at Hamilton School for the past 15 months as Headteacher. Jane has asked me to pass on her thanks to everyone who has supported the work of the school and send her best wishes for its continued improvement.

From 1 May 2021, Mrs Mandy Wilton, Executive Headteacher for Alternative Provision and Special Education, will be the named Headteacher for Hamilton School. Our vision is that Hamilton School is a place of education, growth and opportunity and it has come a long way in difficult times. Some of the improvements already coming through include:

- New curriculum pathways at Key Stage 4
- Updating the range of Alternative Provision and enrichment options
- Development of the Careers Programme (now meeting 7 of the 8 Gatsby Benchmarks) with plans for more next academic year
- In this year's survey, students are extremely positive about the range of enrichment activities, the careers advice and guidance and what they have learned about keeping themselves safe and healthy

This is in addition to the thanks and praise shared with the school about their care and provision during lockdowns.

We are not complacent, we know there is still work to be done and Mrs Wilton knows the school and its community very well: she will continue her work, alongside colleagues from the Trust and staff at the school, as they support, educate and nurture the students.

We wish her and the team well.

Yours sincerely

Mary Davies
Chief Executive Officer