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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to announce that Mr Ian Shuttleworth has been appointed as the new permanent Headteacher at Halfpenny Lane and will take up the post from 1 September 2022. Mr Shuttleworth is an experienced Headteacher and is currently the Headteacher at Larks Hill Junior and Infant School. You will note that Larks Hill is part of the Pontefract Academies Trust, and Mr Shuttleworth has done an excellent job of leading Larks Hill with the school receiving a good judgment at the school's last Ofsted inspection. As a well-respected and experienced school leader within our family of schools, we do not doubt that he will be a huge asset to the children and community of Halfpenny Lane. We hope that you will give him your full support. Mr Shuttleworth is hugely excited at the prospect of joining Halfpenny Lane and has been supporting the school in recent weeks.

We are also delighted to announce that Mr Kieron O'Toole will be joining Halfpenny Lane School as Deputy Headteacher in the summer term, from 1st July. Mr O'Toole has previous experience of Halfpenny Lane School, having been a year six teacher at the school. He will bring a wealth of expertise that will no doubt benefit the staff and pupils alike.

Until Mr Shuttleworth's permanent arrival, in my capacity as Director of Primary Education across Pontefract Academies Trust I will oversee the school's leadership, with Mr Shuttleworth continuing to provide support as he is currently. We are excited by the strength of the above appointments and look forward to continued success for the school.

Yours sincerely

Tom Fay - Director of Primary Education Pontefract Academies Trust

Tim Craven – Chair of School Performance Review Board

