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Dear parents and carers,

As you know, the Governors have been in the process of recruiting a new Headteacher, which has involved a visit from candidates to school last week and a formal interview process yesterday. During the school visit, the children gave a really warm welcome to the school which was noted by all candidates.

We are delighted to let you know that we have appointed a new Headteacher for our school. After a thorough recruitment process, we are very pleased to welcome Mrs Lisa McCloskey to the role.

Mrs McCloskey brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm, including previous experience as a Headteacher in other schools. We are confident that she will be a fantastic leader for our school community. We were particularly impressed by her commitment to supporting pupils, staff, and families, and her vision for the future of the school.

Mrs McCloskey will officially start as Headteacher from 1st September 2026. Mrs Toor will continue as Acting Headteacher until then and will work closely with Mrs McCloskey as Deputy Head moving forward.

I hope you will join me in welcoming Mrs McCloskey to the Gisburn Road family, we look forward to working with her as she prepares to lead the school.

Best wishes

Rachel Waddington
Chair of Governors

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