

26<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to let you know that I will be leaving my post as Head Teacher at Dormanstown this summer after four years in the academy and with you all. I am enormously proud of everything the academy has achieved over this time. It has been hard but fulfilling work.

Watching your children grow and develop into the incredible young people they are, and being a small part of that, has been a fantastic experience. Your children make this academy the very special place that it is and it will always have a place in my heart. I would like to thank all parents, carers and friends of the academy for their support and commitment to the children's education and well-being. Working together, we have been able to give the children a start to their education that will provide them with opportunities to grow, flourish and succeed.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff at the academy. It has been a privilege to work with such hard working, talented and dedicated staff. Often, the work of teachers and assistants is 'invisible'; there are many hours put in at home and during times when the academy is closed. I have been very fortunate to work with a team that has both supported and challenged me, all in the best interests of the children. I know that I couldn't be leaving the academy in safer hands.

Finally, I would like to wish you all the very best for the future. I look forward to hearing about your children's many successes as they grow up and fulfil their huge potential.

Very best wishes

**K Newton**  
**Head Teacher**

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*Note from the CEO of the Trust:*

Tees Valley Education Trust have very much appreciated Miss Newton's hard work during her time at Dormanstown and sincerely want to take this opportunity to wish her well for the future. In order to ensure a smooth transition and to continue to take Dormanstown forward, I have pleasure in announcing that we have appointed an Executive Head Teacher, Mrs Alison Hill, to work with Mrs Wilson in leading the rest of the teaching and administration staff at Dormanstown to continue to offer your children the very best. Mrs Hill has worked successfully as a Head Teacher for over 10 years at Wilton Primary School and across Redcar & Cleveland authority, so comes with a wealth of experience. I am sure you will join me in warmly welcoming her.

You will have the opportunity to meet her personally at a range of different events throughout July which will give all of you, your children and Mrs Hill the chance to meet one another before the start of the new school year.

Yours sincerely



**Miss K Morley**  
**CEO of Tees Valley Education**