



**Morningside
Primary School**
and Children's Centre
Achieving and Aspiring Together

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Dear Morningside families,

I write to inform you that, after 10 years as Headteacher and 32 years working as a teacher in Hackney schools, I will be retiring at Easter.

Throughout my career, I have been very fortunate to work with some wonderful people, some brilliant teachers and many highly talented children here at Morningside. It has been an absolute privilege to lead such an amazing school and I will miss working with such a great group of staff and children.

I have always enjoyed coming to work and there is not a day that goes by when I do not get to see the talents, skills and enthusiasm of our children in some way or another. It is watching them learn, grow and develop that drives every teacher and it has been a great pleasure to contribute to making this happen for so many Morningside children.

We have a great deal to do over the next two terms to ensure that our current cohort achieves as well as so many that have gone before. I can assure you that we are all completely focussed on making this happen and, whilst a change of Headteacher can be unsettling, I will be focussed on ensuring that we continue to provide the high standard of education that you, as parents, would expect from me until my very last day.

Primary Advantage, our governors and the senior leaders at Morningside are determined to ensure that we have complete stability as the school continues to develop and grow. I am delighted to inform you that Jo Smith, who is currently Headteacher at St John and St James Primary School, has been appointed as the new Headteacher at Morningside.

Jo is an experienced Head and has a long association with Morningside. She will be ably supported by our very strong leadership team and we can be confident that the school will continue to be hugely successful under her guidance.

I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Janet Taylor
Headteacher