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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

I am writing to inform you that I will be leaving Ripley at Easter to take up a new challenge as Headteacher of the Deanery Church of England High School in Wigan. This has been a particularly difficult decision for me to take but, after much reflection, I feel it is where God is calling me and my family in the next chapter of our lives. It has been a tremendous privilege to work at Ripley over the last twelve years, and particularly so in the last two years as its Principal. In my view, there is no finer school in the land and I am truly humbled to have served the Ripley family during that time. Our school is in a very strong position looking to the future, with wonderful pupils, super staff and supportive families - all committed to making Ripley a place where young people can flourish and thrive and become all that God wants them to be. I am sure that Ripley will go from strength to strength.

Can I thank you for your support and assure you of my full commitment to Ripley between now and Easter.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mr M Wood'.

Mr M Wood
Principal

Believe.....

Principal Mr M Wood
Chair of Governors Mrs J Garnett

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