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Dear parents,

I should like to thank you for the support that you have given both Jane Howard and Bewcastle school since Ms Harland left her post following a period of illness.

I am writing to let you know that after detailed discussions with Governors, it has been agreed to develop a partnership with Blackford School. Their Headteacher Mrs Smith, whilst continuing as Head for Blackford School, will share her expertise with Bewcastle school as Executive Headteacher. This will start from January 2020 with a formal agreement between the schools which will be reviewed on a regular basis by both Governing Bodies.

Mrs Smith will split her time between the schools on a 30:70 split over the year. Usually this will mean 3.5 days per week at Blackford and 1.5 days at Bewcastle (Likely to be Monday afternoons and all day Tuesdays). However, this may change on occasion. Jane will continue to oversee the smooth running of the school on the days that Mrs Smith is at Blackford.

This is an exciting opportunity for both Mrs Smith and Bewcastle school which will be of benefit in many ways.

If you have any concerns or specific questions, do not hesitate to contact me on 016977 48136

Yours sincerely

Michelle Thorpe
Chair of Governors.
