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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with mixed emotions that I'm sharing an exciting piece of news. Ms Cottingham will be transitioning from her current position as Headteacher of E-ACT Parkwood Academy to assume the role of Headteacher at E-ACT Royton and Crompton Academy in Oldham, from September 2024.

While I know you will be sad to see Ms Cottingham leave E-ACT Parkwood, where she has been a valued member of staff since 2010, we are delighted to be retaining Ms Cottingham's wealth of experience, leadership, and passion within E-ACT.

During her time at Parkwood Ms Cottingham led the school through the challenging pandemic years and was pivotal in securing the Good Ofsted judgement last year. We will be commencing recruitment of a new Head for Parkwood next half term, I will be working closely with Pete Kirkbride, National Director of Secondary as we look to appoint an outstanding leader who shares the vision of delivering a world class education for all.

As ever if you have any questions, please contact me via the Headteacher's Personal Assistant on 0114 231 0221.

Yours Sincerely,

Niall Gallagher, Education Director.

