

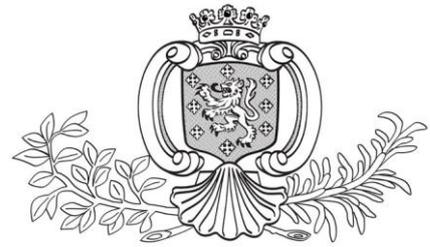
**BURNT YATES CHURCH OF ENGLAND (VA)  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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5<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to welcome you back after what I hope has been a restful and relaxing break. I am sorry to have to inform you that, for personal reasons, Mrs Wass will not be returning this half term. To provide stability for Burnt Yates we have worked with the local authority and are pleased to have secured support from the leadership team at Holy Trinity CE Junior School, Ripon.

Paul Bowlas, head teacher of Holy Trinity will be the executive head teacher and Helen Appleton the deputy head teacher and senior leader at Holy Trinity will be our head of school. They are looking forward to working alongside all of us at Burnt Yates and will be continuing to address the school's priorities.

I have met with Mr Bowlas and Miss Appleton during the half term and they have already begun to put plans in place for the rest of the school year; they were very much looking forward to meeting the children today. They have been asked to focus on Burnt Yates, as Ripley has a separate arrangement in place for this half term. However, the joint day to day activities such as trips, church services and sporting events will take place as planned.

We will also all be working closely with Jacqui Palmer, the head teacher designate for the collaboration, to ensure a smooth transition to the new leadership arrangements for Burnt Yates and Ripley for the new academic year. As such, we will be welcoming her into school over the coming weeks.

We look forward to a successful half term.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Helen Leslie'.

Mrs H Leslie  
Chair of Governors

