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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you that Heather Jenkins, Headteacher of Looe Community Academy has announced her plans to retire following a short period of ill health, after 13 years at the helm of Looe Community Academy.

Mrs Jenkins said: It has been my pleasure and privilege to be the Headteacher of this wonderful school. I have been lucky to work with excellent colleagues and governors who work so hard for the good of the school. It is a lovely school with supportive parents and carers and is rightfully held in high regard. I am pleased that during my tenure here we have managed to maintain our inclusive ethos and our curriculum, despite the many challenges we are faced with. The experience we give our youngsters, both in and outside the classroom is the most important thing that we do. Children learn well when they are safe and when they are happy and this is at the heart of what we do. I shall miss the camaraderie of this wonderful community but look forward to spending more time with my husband and family. I wish everyone continued success.

Vice Chair of Governors, Penny Prisk said: It is with gratitude and admiration that governors bid a fond farewell to Headteacher Heather Jenkins. She has shown strong leadership and an unparalleled commitment to students at Looe Community Academy, inspiring students to Olympian heights through 'bydh gwella gylli' be the best you can be and visits by Olympian athletes to talk with students and lead by example. She led the School through successive Ofsted inspections, each with Good outcomes. She has overseen the School's transition from School to Academy to a leading member of the Multi Academy Trust, SMART, and indeed maintained the status of Performing Arts Academy when such a move was audacious and innovative. It has proved the making of many students, and alumni include professionals now working in theatre, major industries, many universities, and many more keeping the essential wheels of local industry turning in our Looe and environs community. Mrs Jenkins has risen to every challenge the Governors have set her, and has been the drive behind analytical data to support students to improve their progress through monitoring, reflection, vision and application, all valuable life skills for the students. Her knowledge and experience have been invaluable, and we wish her continued happiness with her husband and family.

I am currently Acting Headteacher with Mrs Jackman as my Acting Deputy. This arrangement will remain in place until the appointment of a permanent Headteacher.

Yours sincerely

Mr Scott Yalden
Acting Headteacher



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