

20 March 2017



Dear Parents and Carers

**Andy Ireland – Headteacher**

I am writing to inform you that Mr Ireland has left Westfield School to follow other career plans. He has asked me to forward his best wishes for the future to all involved with the school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Ireland on behalf of the school community and also wish him well for the future.

You will be aware that Westfield School is in consultation over the conversion to academy status, so we can join with Silverdale Multi Academy Trust. Therefore, interim leadership for Westfield School has been arranged so that Mrs Roisin Paul, Headteacher of Silverdale and Mr Ian Gage Consultant Headteacher, will lead both schools in an executive capacity.

There will be some further adjustments of roles and responsibilities within the team to ensure the smooth day to day running of the school. I know that Mrs Paul will be in touch with parents and carers once she has started, to share her vision for our school. Given her experience in leading Silverdale as an outstanding school, I look forward to the excellent ideas and commitment she will bring.

I know we are facing a period of change but I am confident that, by working in partnership with Silverdale, we will be able to build on the good work we have already achieved and ensure that Westfield provides the best education possible for our children.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. L. Sellars". The signature is written in a cursive style.

C Sellars  
Chair of Governors, Westfield School