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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am writing to update you on the arrangements for the remainder of the summer term and how, despite the restrictions, we hope to be able to share the activities in the last week of term with you so that you can also participate in various ways. Our intention is to collapse the timetable in the final week so that as one community we will be able to connect and collaborate in many different ways. We completely understand that for many parents, juggling work commitments may make it difficult to join in with the various events, but we extend an open invitation and hope you can join us. More details will follow on Monday regarding the specifics for the week. Term will end at 1.00pm on the 10<sup>th</sup> July and reopen on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

As we near the end of this academic year, our meticulous planning is already focussed for re-opening in September. During the last week of term, I will be sending out our draft plans for re-opening fully in September for all years. We will of course be planning for several different scenarios including a further lockdown should COVID-19's impact cause us to do so. We will endeavour to mitigate the risk as far as we possibly can for all members of our community.

I would like to also update you on some staff changes for September. Mrs Clare Moss will be stepping down from her position within the English department. Mrs Moss has been an instrumental teacher at Quinton and will be sorely missed. Mrs Moss wishes me to pass on the following message to you all:

“After nearly seven years at Quinton House School it is with some sadness that I have requested to leave at the end of the term, due to recent Covid-19 events. This has given me an opportunity to re-evaluate my personal situation and I kindly asked to step down. The school has been a big part of my life for the best part of seven years and I will definitely miss my wonderful, talented colleagues and the students, who always manage to make me laugh, whatever happens in the day! I will stay in the world of education, dividing my time between studying for a Masters in Contemporary English Literature and working as a private English tutor. I wish the students and everyone connected with Quinton House School, all the best for the future.”

I am delighted to announce the appointment of Mrs Laura Smith as both English Teacher and our More Able & Talented Coordinator. Mrs Smith has a 1<sup>st</sup> class honours degree in English Literature and has experience teaching across all age ranges up to and including A Level. Laura will join us over the summer

to prepare and will take up her position in September. I know you will all join me in welcoming her into our community.

Refurbishment work stills continues on the school site at present and everything is working to extremely tight timescales. I hope to update you further at our next Teams meetings.

If you have any questions at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With Warmest wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jo Storey', written in a cursive style.

**Mrs Jo Storey**

Principal of Quinton House School