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**Stranraer Academy Parents and Carers**

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Dear Parent / Carer

**STRANRAER ACADEMY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS**

I write to inform you that Miss Reid, Headteacher of Stranraer Academy, will not be in school for a period of time and Mr Jamie Farquhar will be Acting Headteacher for Stranraer Academy from Monday, 8 November.

Mr Farquhar is currently an Education Officer within the central Education and Learning team where he is the strategic lead for care experienced children and young people, operational lead for wellbeing and he provides quality assurance, curriculum and inspection support to 30 schools and their Headteachers. In addition to this scrutiny and improvement role, Mr Farquhar brings considerable experience in school leadership from schools in Dumfries and Galloway and from three years working nationally with Education Scotland. With the support from the Stranraer Academy management team and all staff, he will ensure that the priority for the forthcoming period is the continuity of learning for pupils and in the continued good progress of school improvement.

I know that Mr Farquhar will want to communicate directly with you, as parents/carers, and will be looking forward to meeting the young people of Stranraer Academy from Monday.

Yours sincerely



Dr Gillian Brydson  
Director Skills, Education and Learning