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Dear Parents,

As you know Mr Dachtler has been supporting St Peter and St Paul School in Mitcham as their Headteacher. Mr Hennessey, has taken a leave of absence due to family circumstances.

Parents and staff at the school have now been told that Mr Hennessey has resigned as Headteacher effective from January 2023. He will not return to his post.

Governors at both schools, the Diocese and local authority have worked together to ensure that children at St Peter and St Paul school continue to receive strong provision at this important time. The following secondments have been agreed for the Spring and Summer term to provide stability for the school.

Mrs Aransiola, our Associate Headteacher, will move to become interim Headteacher at St Peter and St Paul school. Mrs. Druce, our Deputy Headteacher, will take on teaching and learning responsibilities currently held by Mrs Aransiola.

Mr Dachtler will continue to oversee both schools and will become the interim Executive Headteacher. He will support Mrs Aransiola and take a strategic role in the long term leadership arrangements for St Peter and St Paul school.

The decision to offer consistent support to one of the schools in our Deanery family reflects our values of love, trust, teamwork and ambition. We are confident in the current capacity in our school, to help at this time and ensure that children at St Teresa's continue to thrive.

Please keep both St Teresa's and St Peter and St Paul school in your prayers at this time. The motto at St Peter and St Paul school '*Learning Together, Achieving Together, in Christ*' is a clear reminder that we can rely on our Lord's consistent presence at all times.

Mrs Tracey Dunleavy

Chair of Governors

"Love proves itself by deeds so how am I to show my love?" St Thérèse of Lisieux

