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Dear parents and carers,



I am writing to inform you of an important change within our Year 8 team that will take place after the Easter break.

Our current Head of Year 8, Miss Hart, will be taking up a new role within the school. She has been a great leader of our Year 8 team, providing guidance and support to both students and staff. I am sure you will join me in thanking her for her dedication and commitment to the well-being and academic progress of our Year 8 students.

I am pleased to announce that Mr Corsby has been appointed as the new Head of Year 8. Mr Corsby brings experience, commitment and passion to this role. He knows the Year 8 students well and is committed to continuing Miss Hart's work with the year group.

To ensure a smooth transition, Miss Hart and Mr Corsby will work closely together on the handover process over the next four weeks. This will ensure there is continuity and stability for our students.

Miss Hart says:

I have recently accepted a new role within The Portsmouth Academy. It has been an honour to work with and support your children as their Head of Year since I returned from maternity leave last year. They have certainly made my return to work a pleasure. The year group has made fantastic progress over the past year, and I am excited to see them continue to grow and thrive under the new leadership of Mr. Corsby.

Mr Corsby says:

Since the start of my time at TPA I have worked closely with Year 8 as a tutor, as well as alongside Miss Hart to support students both pastorally and academically. I am thrilled to be taking over leadership of this year group and am excited at the prospect of further developing the great rapport I have already built with many of its students. I am excited to support and guide Year 8 through their academic journey, fostering a positive and inclusive environment where every student can thrive. Together, we will achieve great things!

We understand that students and parents will want to know about how this change in leadership might affect them. Please rest assured that both Miss Hart and Mr Corsby are committed to making this transition as smooth as possible. They are always available to address any questions you may have during this period. We look forward to a successful transition and an exciting new chapter for our Year 8 students.

Yours sincerely,



Dan Botting
Executive Principal and Regional Director (South)