



New Horizons  
Children's Academy  
Making Learning Irresistible

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Dear parents/carers

I would like to update you on some changes that will be taking place to the leadership at New Horizons after the February mid term break.

Lesley Jones is an Executive Headteacher with TSAT and one of her roles is to support schools, both within and outside of The Thinking Schools Academy Trust. We need to place Mrs Jones where there is most need and so she will be working with Cedar Primary School.

We are extremely fortunate that Mrs Murphy had already been appointed from January 2016 with the intention of taking over as permanent Headteacher of New Horizons from September 2016. We are therefore able to bring this appointment forward to secure the high quality of leadership New Horizons and your children deserve.

Mrs Murphy is an outstanding senior leader with an excellent track record of leadership in Medway primaries and is also an excellent classroom practitioner herself.

We are excited by this appointment and look forward to her working with parents, staff and our children to further enhance the good foundations that have been made by Mrs Jones and ensure New Horizons is an outstanding primary school which truly does aspire to "transform life chances".

Mrs Murphy is already working at New Horizons and so we envisage this will be a smooth transition after half term.

Yours sincerely

**Ms D Shepherd**  
**CEO**  
**Thinking Schools Academy Trust**