

## Sandhurst School the opportunity to succeed

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Dear Parent/Carer(s),

## Re: English Teaching Staff

We are sad to see Mrs Probert leave us today and wish her every happiness as she returns to the United States with her young family.

Mrs Angdembe has needed to step back from teaching English until half term while she manages a family emergency. We wish her well and our thoughts are with her.

You will be aware that recruiting subject specialists, especially English teachers is not easy, the growing shortage of teachers nationally has certainly taken hold in the southeast where the cost of living is high.

We have rearranged classes to ensure our students continue to be taught by qualified teachers with subject specialism, especially at KS4. This avoids the use of external non-specialist cover staff maintaining the continuity of curriculum for students.

As of Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024, your child may now be being taught English by a new teacher. All affected students have already received a new timetable and please be assured that all teachers will continue to follow the scheme of learning that your child has started this term. The intention is to ensure there is no impact on any student's progress.

Please be assured that our priority remains the progress and long-term success of all of the students.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Cook English Subject Leader









