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Dear parents,

I hope that you and your children have settled easily into the new school year and the changes that come with this. As always, the weather has decided to take up on our return to school but hopefully this will help to shorten our winter!

As you will be aware from previous correspondence, Mrs Allen will be retiring as Principal of Dromore Central PS, on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023, after 10 years at the helm. During this period, there have been many changes to the primary school in Dromore, most notably the movement from the old school on the Banbridge Road to our beautiful new building here on the Mossvale Road. In total, Mrs Allen has dedicated over 40 years to the education of young people in a total of 5 different schools.

As you can imagine, we do not want this occasion to pass without marking it in some special way. Therefore, we have started the school year by putting a variety of plans in place to help Mrs Allen celebrate. These plans include a special assembly with Year 4-7 pupils on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September. To facilitate this event, Year 2 and 3 pupils will leave school at 12:30pm and 12:35pm respectively; they will have an early dinner before going home. Normal school closure time for all other groups will apply.

On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, we are planning to have a Red Day as this is Mrs Allen's favourite colour. Please send your child to school wearing their red polo shirt or their school tie and white shirt.

I am conscious that many of you may appreciate an opportunity to show your gratitude to Mrs Allen. If you would like to contribute towards a leaving gift, please place your donation in a sealed envelope with Mrs Allen's name and 'Retirement Gift' printed on the outside of it. The envelope can either be sent into school via your child or left in the school office before Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

As always, we appreciate your generosity and, also your co-operation over the early closure for Years 2 and 3.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs H Bentley (Vice Principal)