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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year at New Pitsligo. The children have as ever been a delight and it is so good to hear all their news.

**Staffing:**

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Karen Lee back to our school as class teacher for p5/6. Karen was a student with us last year and has become a valued member of our team.

Mrs Morrison has been successful in interview and will be moving to a new job. Her last day will be the 10<sup>th</sup> September. Mrs Morrison has been with our school since 2014 and her energy and passion for our pupils will be greatly missed. We hope to announce her replacement very soon.

I also move on at the same time. As you know I am going to be the Head Teacher at Macduff Primary. An Acting Head Teacher will be appointed prior to me leaving so that we can do a detail handover. The permanent post will be advertised soon after.

**Reminders:**

Please do not walk through the school carpark at any time. Our nursery remains open until 6pm so there are cars moving about all day.

Gym kits can now be brought to school on gym day again, please make sure everything is clearly labelled. All pupils should also have a pair of indoor shoes. We recommend gym shoes that can also be used for P.E., slippers would not be appropriate.

**RagBag:**

The collection for rag bags is on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Bags will be sent home soon. Money raised from the collection will go towards treats for the children.

**Flu Vaccinations:**

Information will follow regarding this year's flu vaccinations. They will take place on the 15<sup>th</sup> October.

**October Holiday:**

The website has been updated with dates that are coming. The School holidays are from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup> October.

**Thank You:**

On a personal note I would like to thank the incredible team in the school. I have adored my almost ten years in post and have learned so much. The hard work, dedication and love that

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every member of the team displays is inspiring and I know that I am leaving a school that will go from strength to strength.

In my time here I have been shown so much kindness by our community and have enjoyed becoming part of such a generous and vibrant village. The values of this lovely place are reflected in the children who are a joy to be with.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Helen James".

**HELEN JAMES**  
Head Teacher