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Dear Parent/Carer

It comes with great sadness that I write to inform you all that during the half term holiday, Mrs Paula Kingdon, the former Headteacher of Westfield Infant School, was involved in a fatal car accident near Liverpool. Paula had worked at Westfield Infants for her whole teaching career and was the Headteacher until the summer of 2016.

We understand that the accident happened on the morning of Thursday 31st October on the M57 outside Liverpool and tragically Paula died shortly after the crash, having been rushed to hospital.

This has come as a huge shock to everyone at Westfield, Old Hall and Brookfield. We are all trying to come to terms with this dreadful news as best we can, supporting each other.

At present, I do not know any details regarding funeral arrangements as this will be an ongoing investigation. When I do know more, I will let you know.

In the meantime, we are planning to have a book of condolence at each school for our school communities to write their thoughts, memories and wishes for Paula's family at this difficult time. If you would like to make a donation in memory of Paula, we are collecting money for the purchase of a memorial bench which will be placed at Westfield in her memory.

The book of condolence will be in our main reception where donations can be also be given.

If any students require support, the school will put this in place.

Yours faithfully

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Mr K Hirst Headteacher