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Dear Parents,

## **RE: Appointment Deputy Academics**

I am writing to inform you of an exciting development at our school. We have recently appointed Ms Kate Cowling as our new Deputy Academics to start with us when we open in January.

Ms Cowling brings a wealth of experience to the position, most recently as Head of Mathematics at West Buckland Independent School in the UK. Before that, she taught at several prominent independent schools in South Africa. This included nine years at Diocesan College (Bishop's) in Cape Town and, more recently, over seven years of experience as Deputy Academics at Bridge House and Uplands College. I look forward to having her working at Trident.

Ms Cowling is an educational leader passionate about optimising every child's learning experience by providing a safe, engaging, relevant space to explore curricula and find their purpose in the world. She has a strong track record of encouraging teachers to work collaboratively, embrace technology, and demonstrate a genuine passion for their subjects. In her role as Deputy Academics at Bridge House and Uplands College, Ms Cowling was involved in strategic planning, school evaluations, financial modelling, and leadership. She has extensive experience in education, including curriculum design, examinations, teacher training, and resource development at the national level.

In addition to her professional pursuits, Ms Cowling is a keen mountain biker and open-water swimmer and has two children currently attending university. We are confident that she will be a valuable addition to our team and positively impact our school community. She is very excited to be returning to southern Africa.

Please join me in welcoming Ms Cowling to Trident.

I wish you a happy and festive season and look forward to your continued support in 2023.

Warm regards

Aŭstin Clarke Headmaster