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Dear Parents and Carers

It was wonderful to see the school full of students again last week. Thank you for accommodating the slightly later start to the school day on Thursday as we began the interview process for the new substantive headteacher to replace Sam White.

There were over 20 applicants for the role which attracted candidates from independent and international schools, academy and state schools. On Thursday and Friday last week we put the 5 shortlisted candidates in front of different panels where they were questioned by pupils, staff, parent governors, Foundation governors, the head of Parliament Hill, the Director of Camden Learning and observed by an independent education facilitator. I would like to thank everyone who took part in the process for their time, input and valuable feedback.

I am delighted to let you know that after two days of intensive recruitment activities and interviews that the Governors have appointed Izzy Jones as headteacher of William Ellis. She is the first woman to become the permanent headteacher of our school since it was founded in 1862 and the governing body is very much looking forward to working with Ms Jones and the staff to ensure that the reopening of William Ellis continues smoothly and that all the boys, and girls in the sixth form, can fully re-engage with their learning and focus on their progress in the years to come.

Selina Skipwith
Chair of Governors