St. Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Headteacher Appointment

As you may be aware, Miss Emma Shaughnessy has been acting Headteacher in school since 01 January 2024. Following an intensive recruitment process spread over two days, I am delighted to inform you that Miss Shaughnessy has been appointed as the substantive Headteacher at St Gregory's Catholic Primary School, South Shields.

The recruitment of a permanent Headteacher is one of the most important appointments a school makes. A special appointment panel involving Directors of Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust, Standards Officers, a Diocesan Recruitment Advisor and I were involved in the process. There were focused panel interviews and several tasks in addition to a presentation, where the candidate outlined their ambition for our school.

Already highly respected within the school and wider community, Miss Shaughnessy is passionate about our school and is ambitious that every child achieves their full potential and leaves school with the skills, knowledge, values and moral purpose to live their lives to the full.

Miss Shaughnessy will write to you herself in due course and share her vision for our collective vision of 'children at the heart'. With Miss Shaughnessy's appointment, the skills, drive, energy and commitment she will bring to her leadership, we can be optimistic about a strong, stable and successful future at St. Gregory's primary school.

I am sure you will congratulate Miss Shaughnessy in her new role and ask you to keep her, and all our school community, in your prayers at this time of transition.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Michael Puech

Chair of Governors