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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you to let you know that after working at Brompton Academy for over 20 years, I have made the decision to retire at the end of this term, alongside Phil Storey our UKAT CEO, who is also retiring this July.

I have spent half of my working life at Brompton Academy, and I have loved every minute of the journey which has transformed the Academy into the most oversubscribed school in Kent. A journey that has not been easy, but one which has afforded me the opportunity to meet such fabulous students, staff, parents, and carers. I would like to thank all of you for your support over the years.

However, times have changed, and it is now time to step aside and let a new younger generation of leaders continue to uphold the vision and values of the University of Kent which are the foundations of Brompton Academy.

UKAT Trustees have appointed Dan Walters as my successor, and he will become the Principal at Brompton Academy from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023, and Kate Allen the Trusts Director of Finance Director has been appointed as the interim CEO. Until the end of Term 6, Phil and I will be working with both Kate and Dan to ensure continuity and a smooth transition.

Brompton Academy will always hold very special memories for me, and I look forward to following the next stage of the journey – all be it from a distance!

Both Phil and I know that we have left UKAT in capable hands.

Sincere best wishes,

Jenny Best  
**Executive Principal**  
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