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Dear Parents,

APPOINTMENT OF HEAD

You will recall that in May 2021 you were advised of the retirement of Sean Robinson at the end of the current academic year, after nine years as Headmaster, and twenty seven years of service to St John's. The Board of Governors appreciates the contribution of Mr Robinson over so many years; I am sure that many of you as parents will feel the same. Nevertheless, the Board looks to the future with confidence, based upon the firm foundations laid under Mr Robinson's leadership.

On behalf of the Board I am delighted to advise that following an extensive and thorough recruitment process we have appointed Mr Tom Jenkin to the position of Head with effect from the 1st September 2022. The Board was delighted with the strength and depth of candidates, both national and international, which is a reflection of the quality of St John's as a boys' preparatory school for children aged 3 to 13 years.

Mr Jenkin may be known to a number of you through his current position as Head of Lower School at Merchants Taylors' School (MTS). Mr Jenkin has been at MTS since 2011 and has covered a number of senior positions and as a key member of the Senior Leadership Team. He is very familiar with the ethos of St John's and the high standards that are central to the school. For example, in his current role, he has seen a large number of our boys in action during entry interviews for MTS. The Board are reassured that he is very keen to develop further the strong relationship that already exists between both schools, whilst recognising that St John's will continue to support all boys (and their parents) who wish to pursue an alternative approach to their secondary education.

Mr Jenkin understands the challenge of maintaining the excellent academic and all-round standards that exist at St John's. His enthusiasm for, plus experience with, educating boys will serve him well in this new role. I know that he is looking forward to moving St John's forward with you as Parents in the next chapter of the school.

The Board offer our warmest personal congratulations and wish him every success.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Robb Chair of Governors

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