

## Walderslade Girls' School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

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It is with the heaviest of hearts we wanted to share with you the news that yesterday we were informed that Miss Freeman, one of our English teachers, has passed away.

We are all saddened and shocked by this news as Miss Freeman had started with Walderslade Girls School in March 2023.

Miss Freeman, although only with us at Walderslade for a short period of time was immediately popular with students and valued for her knowledge and expertise in the classroom. Miss Freeman was always kind and caring towards her students and immediately made you feel at ease in her classroom.

I have been in contact with Miss Freeman's family to express how sad we are about this news and to offer our support. Understandably, her family is still coming to terms with what's happened.

We wanted to take this opportunity to write and inform you of this as in the coming weeks a funeral will be arranged and this may be discussed within peer groups and with staff. I appreciate that the last couple of years have been very challenging, many students have suffered bereavement and this may be a cause for upset for them. We will have on hand our counsellor for both staff and students should they need to discuss the effect this has on them.

If you have concerns about how your child is coping with this news, please do not hesitate to contact your daughter's form tutor or Head of Year.

We will do all we can to offer support to anyone who needs it through this very difficult and sad time.

My warmest regards

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