



# FRIENDS' CENTRAL SCHOOL

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## **JTF Message from Kelly Pierre**

It is with mixed emotion that I share with you the following faculty who will be moving on to new adventures next year. We thank each of them for the time, commitment, and effort they have given to their work in the Lower School, and beyond. Their contributions are many. While we will miss them here on Old Gulph Road, we wish them much success and happiness in their future endeavors.

Laedoan Lewis has worked in the Lower School for four years. During that time, she has taught Nursery, Pre-K, and Kindergarten. Laedoan has also coached Varsity Girls' Track & Field and served as the Director of our Tenderfoot Camp on during the summer. She is headed to Westtown to teach Pre-K.

Alexa Adorno served as a Part-Time Assistant Teacher in grade 2 this year. Lexie worked with the grade 2 teachers to differentiate the reading and math curriculum through small group instruction, as well as helping to build community in the classroom.

Peter Grove joins Ginger Fifer, Don Denton, Bob Folwell, and Joany Raina in retiring this year. In his 30-year tenure, Peter taught grade 2 and science in the Lower School. He was influential in creating outdoor learning spaces on our campus, including the pond, suspension bridge, bird blind, and organic garden. He will be remembered for his dramatic performances in the faculty plays, storytelling, hands-on lessons, providing students the opportunity to pull a car up a hill, and use tools to effectively saw and hammer. Using one's hands in all ways both indoors and in outdoors was always a goal for Mr. Grove's "duckies."