INT. SCHOOL - AFTERNOON FINN, ELLY

FINN CONVINCES ELLY NOT TO TELL SUSAN ABOUT THEIR HISTORY

Elly crosses with Finn.

<u>ELLY</u>

What are you still doing here?

<u>FINN</u>

I got chatting to a few of the teachers in the staff room. They're a great bunch - very welcoming.

He turns to leave.

FINN

I'd better run. I've got a fair bit of prep left for my lessons tomorrow.

<u>ELLY</u> So you know - I'm on my way to tell Susan everything.

Finn caught off guard.

FINN Everything? You mean about what happened between us?

Elly nods.

<u>FINN</u> Does she really need to know?

ELLY Susan values honesty. I should have done it in the first place.

Finn troubled.

<u>FINN</u> She didn't bring up your name, when she saw where I'd taught previously...

<u>ELLY</u> (uncomfortable) I left that school off my resumé.

<u>FINN</u>

And I guess she didn't notice, since you were only there a few months... So she has no idea we've got history?

ELLY

It's not exactly a period of my life I'm proud of.

<u>FINN</u>

We both made regrettable choices. (smiles) But we also shared some amazing times... didn't we?

<u>ELLY</u>

(tense) That's all in the past.

<u>FINN</u>

Exactly - so what's the point in telling Susan now? I don't want all that to blow up again.

ELLY You think I do?

<u>FINN</u>

Of course not. It's mainly you I'm trying to protect here.

<u>ELLY</u>

(scoffs) That's rich.

<u>FINN</u>

Let's think about other options. What if I tell Susan I've got another job offer?

<u>ELLY</u>

You'd do that?

<u>FINN</u> I s'pose it's best for both of us.

Finn holds her gaze.

<u>FINN</u>

I wish things were different. I'll always wonder what might have happened between us, if...

A moment between them. But Elly breaks away.

<u>ELLY</u>

You should go.

<u>FINN</u>

Right.

Finn resigned, heads off towards Susan's office.