



Spalding Parish Church of England Day School

'For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.'

Jeremiah 29:11

20th July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

End of Term 6

As my first year as substantive Head Teacher comes to an end, I have had the opportunity to reflect on the year gone by and all this has entailed. It has been a year like no other and an unforgettable start to my time as a Head Teacher. It is also fair to say that there have been a number of ups and downs over the course of the year, it has been a year of challenges and successes. Despite everything I have to say how proud I am to be a part of the Spalding Parish family and how proud I also am of every single member for how they approach their own challenges and successes day to day.

I would also like to take the opportunity to say a couple of thank yous. Firstly I'd like to say a huge thank you to the children who have made this academic year so rewarding and really worthwhile. I appreciate we haven't been together for the whole of this academic year however each and every one of them is absolutely amazing and I burst with pride to see all that they have achieved over the course of this year, even whilst we have been apart. I wish them all continued success in their learning journeys as they move on to their new classes, year groups and, in some instances, schools. Secondly, I'd also like to say thank you to you all, the parents and carers, for your continued support during the year. In what has been a very challenging year, your support for the pupils, staff and myself has been greatly appreciated. I know we are united in our drive to ensure our pupils, your children, achieve their potential and only by working together can this be wholly achieved. I hope we can rely on your continued support into the year ahead. My final thanks must be extended to the Local Council and staff team for their continued drive, support and commitment to the children and families of SPCEDS and to the Spalding Parish family as a whole.

The Senior Leadership Team and I look forward to working with you all during the year ahead. Please remember that if you do have any worries or concerns with regards to your child or something else school related, a member of the SLT or myself are more than happy to contact you to discuss any concerns. I am aware that at times there are grumbles, be it on the playground, on social media or elsewhere, and would urge you to come in and have a chat with one of us. Only if we know about it can things be responded to.



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Good bye and Good luck

We will be saying a number of goodbyes at the end of the academic year to a number of members of the staff team – Rachael Skidmore, Jessica Schaffer and Simon Claxton. Rachael has been a key member of the team here since 2015, holding a number of roles most recently of Assistant Head Teacher, securing a leadership post in another large primary school. Jess, who joined us as an NQT and has flourished during her time here, has secured a teaching post in a more rural school, to further her teaching experience. Simon is leaving us, after nine years as a cleaner and more recently as Assistant Caretaker, to focus on his own bakery business. They will all be missed and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for their continued commitment and support during their time here. Please join with us in wishing them all well in their future endeavours. Remember to keep in touch, you will always be welcome here and part of the Spalding Parish family.

Emily Wand is currently on maternity leave, having given birth to a beautiful baby boy in April and will return later in the academic year. Rosie Goddard will also be starting her maternity leave in September. We wish them both well whilst they are not in school, hope they enjoy the time with their families and look forward to welcome back to SPCEDS in the future.

Welcome!

As we say goodbye to a number of members of the team, we say hello and welcome to others who are now joining as part of the Spalding Parish community. For the academic year 2020/21 we welcome Emily Hill, Harriet Haddow, Imogen Norris and Chris Clark. Following my appointment as substantive Head Teacher last year, Emily joins the team as our new Deputy Head Teacher. Emily is currently a Head of School and as such brings a wealth of experience to the team. Harriet, Imogen and Chris all join us as Class Teachers, Harriet in Year 1, Imogen in Year 4 and Chris in Year 5. The staff, Local Council and I are all looking forward to welcoming them to the team and working with them moving forwards. I'm sure you will all join with me in welcoming them too!

Year 6

As our Year 6 pupils prepare to move to pastures new we wish them well for their futures and look forward to hearing of their many achievements, please remember you will always be part of the Spalding Parish family. We are planning an event for our Year 6 pupils to say goodbye officially and look forward to seeing you then. Details with regards to this will be shared in September. Until then Good Bye Year 6, Good Luck, God Bless!

And Finally...

Please, please, please stay safe during the coming weeks. Make sure your child tells you where they are going and who they will be with. Arrange a time that you all know when you should be returning.

Keep safe in the sun, ensure sun cream is on and hats are worn. Enjoy the many ice-creams and hopefully long, hot days. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Thursday 3rd September. Have a peaceful and enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely

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