



Dear Parents/Carers,

Well, we're nearly at the end of term, the end of 17 weeks and 17 weeks which I hope I never have to repeat in my career! I have really missed having the school full of busy, happy, lively children and staff. When all children return 7th September, I know it will be very emotional for me. We have to be realistic though and until a vaccine is found we know we maybe subject to a full lockdown, a local lockdown or just a bubble in our school. We have worked tirelessly to mitigate risk, but we cannot totally eradicate the risk of COVID-19 in our school community. We all need to continue to play our part in keeping each other as safe as possible.

By now you will have hopefully spoken to your class team and understand how we will be returning in September (half the class 3rd September, half the class 4th September – all pupils and reopening of Russell House 7th September.

I'd like to take the opportunity to thank three staff who are retiring at the end of term. They have all done an amazing job for WFS, showing such dedication and commitment to the families; wishing a long, happy and healthy retirement to Theresa Wright, Alan Mansell and Bev Robinson. We also say goodbye to Hayley Watson O'Meara who is starting an exciting new job, not in a school. I wish her all the very best for the future and again thank her for all she has done for the families.

A big thank you to the whole WFS staff who over the 17 weeks have shown such compassion, care, understanding and innovation – trying to support you the best we can. I know many of you have contacted me with your thanks.

Finally, I would just like to say THANK YOU. Thank you for your unwavering support you have given me during the last 17 weeks. I have tried to keep you well informed and as you are all aware now – in a totally honest way. I am truly blessed to have such an amazing staff team, such inspirational pupils and the most wonderful families.

See you in September.

With kind regards,

Rebecca Garratt

Headteacher