

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope you are all well and adjusting to the 'new normal.

## Headteacher's farewell

Dear Parents and Carers.

I have written number of letters home to parents over time but this is without doubt the most difficult of them all. It is with great sadness that I have to inform you I will not be returning in September. I am deeply saddened to be leaving as I have had the most amazing experience at Woodpecker. I can say with complete honesty that Woodpecker children are the best pupils I have ever met. We have children who are full of compassion, who care for one another and live our virtues every single day. They make me extremely proud and I know they will all go on to do great things in later life.

I have so many things to be grateful for, not many Headteachers have the experience of having an entire staff team that they love working with. They all work extremely hard to give the best they can to our pupils. They make it a joy to come into work each day and I will miss this extended family. I have also been surrounded by a leadership team who saw my vision and worked with me to make it happen, I know at times its not been easy, but even through the tough times we've always managed to see the humour and keep a smile on are faces. I will truly miss you all.

To all of the Woodpecker parents I cannot thank you enough, without hesitation you took me in and made me feel welcome from the start. Knowing how difficult change can be you have made the experience at Woodpecker a joy. You have engaged and voiced your opinions shared your concerns and worries and I hope that you have found that I have taken the time to listen and take on board what you have said. I will never say I get everything right all the time but I do strive to do my very best.

Although I am sad to be leaving I am excited about the future, and the next chapter. I wish the Woodpecker family all the best, I will miss you all.

Ms Sharon Parson

## **Assistant Head farewell**

Dear Woodpecker family,

It is with real sadness that I am writing to let you all know that I will be moving on. After 20 years the time has finally come to say goodbye to CHAT. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here from joining Cuckoo Hall in September 2000 as an NQT and spending many years teaching Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and then moving on to Woodpecker Hall as an Assistant Head in 2013 and building on my vast experiences along the way. Not forgetting forming many friendships and the best bonus of all -meeting my husband at work.

It is very unfortunate that due the recent pandemic I am unable to say goodbye to you all properly. I would like to take this opportunity to say what a pleasure it has been getting to know you all over the years and spending time with your wonderful children.

Please stay safe, have a lovely break and look after yourselves.

**Best wishes** 

Mrs Sherin Ahmet

Have an amazing weekend Woodpecker Family

**Ms Sharon Parson** 

(Headteacher)