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"With God, there is no limit to what you can do. There is no obstacle you can't overcome. Through Him all things are possible." Matthew 19:26

Tuesday 15th July 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is with a mix of emotions that I write my final letter as Headteacher of St James. Whilst I am incredibly sad that my journey as full-time Headteacher here is coming to an end, I am exceptionally proud of all the amazing things we have achieved. This past academic year especially has seen great success through our fantastic Ofsted Inspection, SIAMs Inspection and brilliant pupil outcomes across the school.

The children of St James make our school the special place that it is; they are at the heart of everything we do in our school. Supporting our pupils to realise that 'through Him all things are possible' has been one of the most rewarding aspects of my job. Seeing how this mantra has helped pupils to flourish is such a joy! Your children are a delight to work with, and they are a real credit to you.

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the parents, carers, and families I have had the pleasure of working with during my time here. Your continued support to the school, and the children has been much appreciated and valued. We could not have achieved our success in school without all of you playing a part. Thank you.

The St James staff are incredibly dedicated to ensuring that your children receive the best possible education we can offer. I want to say thank you to every member of staff I have had the pleasure of working with; I will miss them greatly. I am confident that St James will continue to go from strength to strength under Mr Booth's leadership as the new Headteacher. As part of my Trust role as Associate Headteacher, I will be visiting St James regularly, so I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful things that I know will continue to happen here.

Thank you once again for absolutely everything! I will miss working with you all so very much. I have the most incredible memories to take with me as I move on in my career. I feel truly blessed to have been able to serve this amazing school community as Headteacher all these years.

With warmest wishes,

Mrs L Belfield
Headteacher



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