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Dear Cuddington Families,

This will be the final newsletter of the academic year with an opportunity to say 'Goodbye' to our amazing Year 6 children and the wonderful Mrs Danielle Clarke.

This morning, our Year 6 children had their Leavers' Assembly as they step away from Cuddington and through the doors of High School; an exciting time ahead full of dreams and aspirations for their future successes. With this, we also say 'Goodbye' to many of our families; **Ambrose, Armstrong, Chen, Hubert-Powell, Jones, Kimpton, Lewis, Millington, Perry, Piggin, Rowland, Stout, Taylor Inglis and Weekes**. Please join me in sending them our very best wishes for the future and thanking them for being part of 'Team Cuddington!'

We also say 'Goodbye' to Mrs Clarke as she steps into retirement and enjoys life beyond work! Mrs Clarke has spent 18 years at Cuddington Primary and has helped, supported and guided so very many of our families and staff in those years – her work has been immeasurable and we will miss her greatly. Please join me in wishing Mrs Clarke nothing but joy and happiness in her retirement – a very well-deserved next phase with freedoms, fresh air and fun!

Another 'Goodbye' is to our amazing Chair of Governors; Rose Marsden. Rose has been part of the Cuddington community for 40 years; initially as a teacher, a school leader and during the past 9 years as a Governor, then Chair of Governors. Her strategic work has impacted positively on the work of our school. School staff, Cuddington Governors and Create Learning Trustees will be sorry to see her leave and step into 'full retirement' to also enjoy freedoms, fresh air and fun! Mrs Caroline Percy will step into the role of our new Chair of Governors – many of our children already know her from the Behaviour and School Council work she has conducted during the past 2 years; she has also met many of you at parents' evenings.

Please could I take this opportunity to thank ALL of the staff at Cuddington; Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Mid Days, Kitchen staff, Admin staff, our Site Maintenance Officer, our cleaners and our Family Support Worker. Cuddington's success is built on the work of each of these people – each having a part to play in the smooth running of our school. They all deserve a restful summer break before we all come back together in September.

I have saved the best until last; our children. The reason why we all come to school each day and the reason why we smile each day. Granted, some days are easier than others, but we all hold privileged positions in the care, nurture and education of each child. Thank you for allowing us to care for and inspire your children to be the best that they can be 😊

Next step, summer holidays – I can hardly believe we are here together once again. Please enjoy precious time with your families and friends, be kind to each other and prepare for your **return on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 8.40am**

Kindest regards,

Mrs S Mills (Head Teacher)

