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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are all aware, my time as Head Teacher of Oakley Cross will end at Easter after seven incredibly enjoyable years. I have made the decision to accept a new position as Head Teacher within our Local Authority after the Easter holidays. This new challenge will allow me to continue to learn and grow both personally and professionally.

My years here at Oakley have been wonderful and given me the privilege and pleasure of seeing hundreds of children develop and shine as respectful, confident, successful young people. I have learnt a huge amount during my time here and I am very proud of the part I have played in making Oakley Cross the warm, welcoming, happy and hardworking school that it is today.

I am grateful to have worked with a fantastic staff team who all go that extra mile to give the best they can to our children, who have worked with me to make Oakley Cross the wonderful school it is today and a team who genuinely care. I know at times it hasn't been easy, but even through the tough times we've always managed a laugh, a joke, a smile. I will truly miss you all.

I would like to say a big thank you to you all parents and carers, past and present, for the on-going support that you have given me over the years. You have engaged with our ideas and projects, you have voiced your opinions and shared your concerns and worries. I hope that you have found 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!

I would also like to thank our school governors for their unwavering support and professional challenge and for allowing me to lead our fabulous school. I can reassure you that the Governing Body have started the process for appointing my successor and will keep you updated on the outcome.



These most recent times have been particularly challenging for everyone and I hope to enjoy my last few weeks at Oakley Cross despite the current challenges presented by COVID. My seven years at Oakley Cross have been very special and I won't let a little issue like a global pandemic taint that!

Kind regards,

Rachel Brannan