



The Academy at
St James
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Dear Parents/Carers

It's been the strangest academic year of my nineteen years in education; never have I seen such disruption, turbulence and change in such a short time. We have faced lockdown, closure, opening to key workers and vulnerable pupils, wider opening, risk assessments, suspected cases, and everything in between. Throughout all of it, you have all coped amazingly well; at least on the surface!

You have faced the challenges with good humour, empathy and determination, with your hearts and minds firmly fixed on your desire to make a fundamental difference in the lives of our pupils and their families. All of this, whilst managing the significant challenges of day-to-day life beyond school.

Goodbye:

I would like to wish Miss Greenwood the best of luck in her new role. She has been such an important member of St James and I know her Year ½ class and all the staff will miss her. Come back and see us soon!

Holiday Summer School

Thank you also, to those colleagues who have committed to delivering our Virtual Summer School, and our Holiday Activities and Food programme over the summer holiday. It's reassuring to know that many of our pupils will continue to benefit from your continued commitment.

I hope you all manage a restful summer break, and a well-deserved holiday, and I look forward to seeing you back in September recharged and looking forward to a gradual return to our new normal. It is appreciated beyond measure- thank you for your support.

Kind regards