



A message from Mrs Bates...

As we come to the end of another busy school year, I want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support in your children's education.

This year has been particularly special for me, as it was my first year as Headteacher. It has been a real privilege to lead this wonderful school. I'm incredibly grateful for the support you've shown throughout the year, especially as we introduced some new ideas and changes aimed at continuing to build the very best environment for your children to flourish. Your encouragement and feedback have meant a great deal.

Looking back over the past three terms, we've shared so many proud moments. One of the highlights was our successful Ofsted inspection in the autumn. The inspection team recognised the dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm of our pupils, and the strength of our school community – a real testament to everyone involved.

Throughout the year, pupils have taken part in a wide variety of enriching school trips – from visits to London and Whipsnade to residential full of adventure and challenge. These experiences have not only enhanced classroom learning but also helped children grow in independence, confidence, and curiosity.

Our calendar has also been packed with sporting events, where our children have shown great teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship. Whether it's been football tournaments, cross country, or sports days, the energy and enthusiasm on display have been a joy to see.

Perhaps most rewarding of all has been watching our pupils grow – not just physically (some have certainly shot up this year!) – but also in their learning, their friendships, and their confidence. We are incredibly proud of every single one of them.

To our Year 6 pupils and others who are moving on, we wish you all the very best in the next chapter of your journey. You leave with our warmest wishes and the knowledge that you have been a valued part of our school family.

I'd also like to thank our wonderful staff team, who have worked so hard and with such passion to make this year a success. Their dedication and care make this school the special place it is.

Finally, I wish all of our families a happy, healthy, and restful summer break. I hope the weeks ahead bring time for fun, relaxation, and that the sunshine continues! We look forward to welcoming children back refreshed and ready for a new year of learning on **Wednesday 3rd September**.

Mrs Bates 😊