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Dear Parents and Carers

Another school year has ended, and I genuinely have no idea where the last ten months have gone.

It only seems like yesterday we were opening the gates in September, welcoming children back with shiny new shoes, perfectly labelled jumpers, and enough stationery to open our own shop. Fast forward to July and the jumpers have disappeared; the pencils have mysteriously evaporated, and I am certain our 'Lost Property' box has become the largest it has ever been.

Our children have achieved so much. They have learned new skills, made new friends, performed on stage, represented the school in sporting events, visited exciting places, challenged themselves in lessons and, most importantly, continued to develop and grow into kind, respectful, and resilient young people. As Executive Headteacher, seeing that happen every day is, without question, the best part of my job.

None of this happens by accident. It happens because schools and families work together. So before anything else, I simply want to say thank you.

Thank you for your support.

Thank you for your encouragement.

Thank you for trusting us with your children every single day. We never take that privilege for granted.

As with every school year, we also say goodbye to some great members of the Bonneygrove family who are moving on to exciting new adventures. Whilst we are sad to see them leave, we are incredibly grateful for everything they have given to our school.

After 20 incredible years, Mrs Nobrega, our wonderful Higher Level Teaching Assistant and Nursery Nurse, is moving on to a new adventure. During her time with us, she has supported hundreds of children and families, particularly in our Early Years, always with kindness, patience, and a smile. On behalf of our entire school community, thank you, Mrs Nobrega. We wish you every happiness and success in whatever comes next.

We also say a fond farewell to Ms Purser, who has been part of Bonneygrove for the past 14 years. Throughout that time, she has supported so many children, both academically and pastorally, always ensuring that children were at the heart of everything she did. Her work in nurture has made a real difference to many families, and we thank her for her dedication and wish her every success for the future.

We also say Bon Voyage to Mrs Beschizza, who has been part of the Bonneygrove family for the past four years. Joining us as an Early Career Teacher, she has grown into a lovely classroom practitioner and, as our Art Leader, has inspired children to be creative and express themselves with confidence. Throughout her time at Bonneygrove, she has shown commitment and dedication to the children she has taught, always encouraging them to believe in themselves and achieve their best.

Mrs Beschizza has decided it is time for her own adventure as she heads off travelling with her family. We thank her for everything she has contributed to our school community and wish her and her family the most amazing adventure. Bon Voyage!

Although Mrs Dogan has only been with us for a year, she has quickly become a valued member of our school community. She has built lovely relationships with the children and families in her Year Five class and has worked hard to ensure every child felt supported, challenged and encouraged to achieve their best. We thank her for her enthusiasm, kindness and commitment and wish her every success in her new role.

We also wish Mr Klein every success as he moves on to another school in Hertfordshire. Thank you, Mr Klein, for everything you have contributed to Bonneygrove. We wish you every success for the future.

Finally, it is not goodbye to Miss Stevens, Mrs Goddard, and Miss Weingarten—it is more a case of "see you soon!"

You will still see all three around school when we return in September before they each begin their maternity leave. We are absolutely delighted for them and cannot wait to welcome three new additions to the extended Bonneygrove family. We wish them every happiness—and hopefully at least a little bit of sleep!

Of course, I could not write this letter without mentioning our fantastic Year Six Class of 2026.

I have had the pleasure of knowing many of these children since 2021, and it has been wonderful to watch them develop and grow into the confident, thoughtful, caring, and resilient young people they are today. They are more than ready for secondary school, and we could not be prouder of everything they have achieved.

What I hope every Year Six child remembers is not just the Isle of Wight, but the friendships, the laughter, the confidence they gained and the memories they made together. Long after SATs results have been forgotten, those are the moments that will stay with you. Year Six, thank you.

You have been an absolute credit to yourselves, your families, and our school. We are incredibly proud of every single one of you and wish you every success as you begin your next adventure.

Remember, once you have been part of Bonneygrove, you will always be part of the Bonneygrove family. Please do not be strangers—we love hearing how our former pupils are getting on, so make sure you come back and visit.

To all the parents and carers whose children leave Bonneygrove this summer, thank you. Thank you for trusting us with your children over the years. It has been a privilege to watch them develop and grow into confident, kind, and ambitious young people who are now ready for the next stage of their education.

Thank you for your support, your encouragement and for allowing us to play such an important part in your children's lives. We never take that responsibility for granted, and it has been a pleasure to share your family's journey.

Although your time at Bonneygrove may be ending, you will always be part of our school family. Please do not be strangers. Come back and visit us, let us know how the children are getting on and remember that our doors will always be open.



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Finally, I would like to thank everyone who helps make Bonneygrove such a special place. To our incredible staff, thank you for the care, commitment, and dedication you show our children every single day.

To our dedicated Governors, thank you for your support, challenge, and encouragement. To our fantastic PTA, thank you for giving up your time to organise events, raise valuable funds and create so many wonderful memories for our children.

And to our amazing volunteers, thank you for everything you do behind the scenes and in school. Whether you have listened to children read, accompanied school trips, our bagel gang, and to those who have helped at events or simply offered your time, your support makes a real difference.

Bonneygrove simply would not be the school it is without every one of you. Finally, to every parent and carer, thank you once again for your continued support throughout this year. Working together, we have given our children another fantastic year of learning, laughter, and opportunity.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer filled with family, friends, laughter. Take the opportunity to slow down, make memories together and enjoy every moment.

We look forward to welcoming you back in September for another exciting year at Bonneygrove.

Until then, I wish you all health, wealth, and happiness.

Yours sincerely

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