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Letter on behalf of the Board of Governors

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Good Afternoon Everyone

This has been an amazing year with so many memories for all our children and their families. As a parent myself I have attended many of these events; sports day, swimming gala (in the torrential rain), church visits, school plays, carol services, sharing lunches and school trips including residential week.

None of these events would be possible without the planning and support of all our staff. They spend hours putting together videos and uploading photo albums helping us to create a memory of our children's school day. As governors we see how much work staff put into their roles outside of school not just during school hours. We are very blessed to have such a caring and experienced teaching, admin, catering, cleaning and maintenance team. Thank you to all our hard-working staff.

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to Miss Lee and Mrs PH who have worked tirelessly for our school. You will both be missed a lot and will leave a big void in our team. We want to wish Mrs PH much enjoyment on her retirement and thank her for her long career in teaching. We also will be saying goodbye to Sylvia Boddington and Janet Johnston who have served on the board of governors for many years. All your hard work and support has been very much appreciated. We have vacancy for 2 foundation governors and if you would like to discuss this further you can contact me directly – michelle.Jenkins@st-matthews.hants.sch.uk

We are very fortunate to have open access to our beautiful church St Matthews which we use regularly. We want to thank Davina and the Parish church council for supporting us throughout the year. Ven Peter Sutton has been supporting us with our weekly worship while we are awaiting the appointment of a new vicar. Peter has recently prepared four of our Year 6 children for confirmation in Portsmouth Cathedral with the help of Kate. The children were confirmed by the Bishop in a beautiful service 2 weeks ago.

We have been very lucky to have so many events run by our Parent committee (PTFA) who have raised some well needed funds for additional projects. The next big project is to build an outdoor classroom which will be used by all the children once completed. The PTFA are always happy for new parents to support them please let the office know if you can help.

We want to wish all our families and staff a wonderful summer break and look forward to seeing you in September where Mrs Stamper will be commencing in her new post as Headteacher. Good luck to all the year 6 leavers and their families.

God Bless

Michelle Jenkins

Chair of Governors

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