

Dear Parent/Carer,

9th July 2024

End of the Academic Year

As we reach the end of the academic year, I would like to wish you and your families a peaceful summer break. It has been a pleasure to lead St Aidan's with all its wonderful students and staff, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in September. Our InTouch magazine continues to keep you up to date with the many and varied activities we have been getting up to over the past few weeks alongside our core focus of high-quality learning. This will be available to read later today.

On Friday the 28th of June we held our whole staff training day where, along with the work we are doing familiarising ourselves with the new Management Information System; Arbor, all staff committed to the renewed St Aidan's vision. This is the vision we have for each one of the students we serve, and I am pleased to share it with you:

Living and learning according to our Church foundation and the example of St Aidan, we strive to be a centre of academic excellence where all our students flourish because of the quality care, nurture, and education they are given. Our students will develop in character to become courageous and confident. They will be brave enough to see the opportunities in every difficulty, and wise enough to promote respect and kindness through the choices they make. Guided by our Christian vision we walk together to ensure that each and everyone knows the gift of life in all its fullness.

As we look forward to the next academic year, we say goodbye to some wonderful colleagues who move on to ventures new. I want to thank each and every one of them for their services to St Aidan's throughout their time here. Good luck and thank you! I would particularly like to recognise the following long serving colleagues who have given so much to the life of St Aidan's in the many years they have served here, Mrs Vardy, Mr Kirkpatrick, Mrs Clark, Mrs Hedges, Mrs Betteridge, Mrs Everson, and Mr Crane. A special mention needs to go to Deputy Headteacher Mrs McQuire who has been at St Aidan's for 30 years; goodbye and thank you for all you have done, you really will be missed.

Moving forward to the next academic year I would like to invite all parents to complete the following survey. Parental engagement is important to us, and your views can help us to ensure we continue to provide the best education possible for all our students. Please could I ask you to click on the link and complete this short survey. The link will close on Friday the 6th of September.

https://forms.office.com/e/nG8pEM2pak



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Take time to claim your strength; this is a gift from God.
Take time to have fun; it is God's way of teaching you your strengths.
Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.
Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you. Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.
Take time to share with others; they will bless you and you will bless them.
Take time to have hope; you are a child of God.

Have a lovely summer, everyone,

Yours sincerely

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