



**Starbeck Community Primary
and Nursery School**

Dear Parents

Following my letter at the end of November I am writing to inform you that Mrs Sandford has left her position as Headteacher.

After 8 years and a period of ill health, Mrs Sandford has decided to step down. We thank her for all her years of hard work and her contribution to school. She will be missed. Mrs Sandford in turn has asked for her best wishes for the future to be passed on to all at Starbeck. In particular she would like to thank the children for being a part of their lives and would like to report that the school dog Vito is well and happy

Working closely with the Local Authority, as we have throughout this period, we will now start the process of recruitment for a permanent Headteacher and expect to have someone in place for when school returns after the Easter break. In the meantime, as per my previous letter, Mr de Castro Morland remains in his role as Acting Headteacher to the end of the Spring Term.

As this is also likely to be the last you hear from myself and the other governors this year I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their hard work this year, yourselves for your continued support to the school and most importantly the children for the energy and enthusiasm they show for their learning every day.

I would also like to wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I am looking forward to 2018 being a fantastic year for the school.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Walker'.

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