



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Due to falling budgets and lower pupil numbers, the school has been forced to make the very difficult decision to reduce staffing.

This means that a number of staff who have left will not be replaced. It also means that we will be saying a very sad goodbye to staff at Christmas:

Mrs Gardecki has worked at the school for almost thirty years. She has shown great care, concern and support for the hundreds of children she has supported through her roles as Teaching Assistant and Lunchtime Supervisor.

Mrs Riley has worked across the school from Nursery to Year 6 in the 25 years she has been at the school. Her hard work and encouragement has enabled the children to make progress in their learning, and has provided the Teacher's with invaluable support.

Mrs Burdett has worked in the Early Years, starting in the Nursery in 1995 when it was down the road at Grafton Street. She has ensured that all the children get off to a wonderful start in their time at St Joseph's.

Mrs Pountney has also worked predominantly in Early Years, and more recently across the school supporting individual pupils. Her hard work and energy has ensured that the children know that they can find fun and joy in their learning, which sets solid foundations for their future learning journey.

Mrs Sabir has been the strong link between our parents and the school. Her welcoming and warm approach has meant that she has been able to support and encourage parents and families in building on their many skills and in contributing to the life of the school.

These staff have made an enormous difference to the children and staff in St Joseph's. They will be sorely missed, but we know that their influence and impact on the school will live on.

I'm sure you will offer your thanks with ours for their many years of great service and loyalty to St Joseph's school. We wish them the very best for the future. We ask for God's Blessings on them all.

Mrs C Markham
Executive Head

