

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to let all of our families know that I will be taking early retirement at the end of the summer term. I have worked at the school for 36 amazing years since 1988 and am now ready for a new chapter.

I started here as a newly qualified teacher and have thoroughly enjoyed my time here. This is a truly fantastic school and I have loved working with the dedicated team of staff, Governors, the parish, the outstanding children and the fabulous parents and carers. It has been my honour and privilege to support Mrs. Graham in leading Our Lady of the Rosary and am deeply grateful for the opportunity to spend the last five years working as part of Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust.

Although it is still four months away, the time will undoubtedly fly by. I am looking forward to retirement and spending time with my family and two dogs. However, I will miss the day to day life of the school, seeing the children develop, thrive and leave Our Lady of the Rosary as articulate and independent young people. It has been an absolute privilege to work here as part of this community.

Thank you for your support to our school, staff and children throughout my time here. I must also say a special thank you to all staff at the school and I will miss being a part of this fantastic school.

The Trust is now beginning recruitment for a new Head of school in the next stage of the school's journey. I know the successful candidate will continue to ensure the school's mission statement of 'Christ at the centre, children at the heart' will continue in the future.

Finally, a massive thanks for all your support and encouragement over the years. I will certainly not be winding down to retirement and remain committed to providing all children with the best possible education and learning experiences we can offer in the coming months.

Thank you for your support over the years and I wish the community of Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School every success for the future.

With thanks and best wishes,

C.E. Sutherland

Clare Sutherland Head of School