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WEDNESDAY FOCUS

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THANK YOU!

Well, what an incredible year we have had! Last week was a wonderful way to bring the school year to a close. It was incredibly busy, but it perfectly reflected just how much we have achieved together. Thank you to everyone who joined us at the church on Thursday for our End of Year Celebration. It was a fantastic opportunity to reflect on all that has been accomplished across every year and to celebrate the many successes of our pupils. A special well done to those who read, played instruments and sang so beautifully – you made the occasion truly memorable. The Year 6 production surpassed all expectations and was simply outstanding. I am still singing the songs in my head! Every child played an important part, and together they delivered a performance that demonstrated not only their talents but also the power of teamwork, commitment and friendship. Friday's Colour Run was another huge success and a wonderful way to end the term. The children absolutely loved it! Thank you to the CJSA for organising such a fantastic event, and a huge thank you to our office staff for all the hard work behind the scenes with the administration, phone calls, lists and countless checks that made it all possible.

At the end of every school year, we also say goodbye to some valued members of our school family. This year, Mrs Billinge is retiring after 25 years of dedicated service as both an HLTA and LSA. Over those years she has given so much time, care and encouragement to countless children and colleagues. We will miss her expertise, humour, creativity, wonderful displays, library knowledge and so much more.

Mrs Barber is also retiring after 11 years with the school. As an LSA, she has supported so many children with kindness, patience and dedication, and we are incredibly grateful for everything she has contributed.

We also say goodbye to Ms Mason, who has been a valued member of our lunchtime team and is moving on to a new role. We wish her every success for the future.

Although we are saying goodbye to Miss Ball as a class teacher, thankfully it is not a complete farewell. She will continue to work with us for two days each week, supporting two classes, so we are delighted that she will remain part of the Calmore family.

Finally, we wish our Year 6 children every happiness and success as they begin the next exciting chapter of their education. We are so proud of each and every one of them and know they will go on to achieve great things.

Before we finish the year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful staff. Our teachers, LSAs, office team, caretaking and cleaning staff, lunchtime supervisors, Team Spirit staff and music teachers go above and beyond every single day to make Calmore such a special place. I feel incredibly proud that our recent Ofsted inspection recognised so many of the values and priorities that we believe make our school exceptional.

I would also like to thank all of you, our parents and carers, for your continued support. Working in education is both rewarding and demanding. While we are not perfect and, like everyone, sometimes make mistakes, every decision we make is guided by one simple aim: doing what we believe is best for the children. We know we cannot please everyone all of the time, but we hope that you see the care, commitment and dedication that sits behind everything we do.

My final thank you, however, belongs to the children. They are funny, kind, polite, resilient and caring. They make us smile every single day and remind us why we chose to work in education. Watching them feel safe, grow in confidence and make such wonderful progress is the greatest reward of all.

Thank you, children, for bringing so much joy to our school community.

Have a wonderful, restful and well-deserved summer break. We look forward to welcoming you all back in September.

Kind regards,

Miss Ingram