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To the whole Carbrooke Primary Academy community,

Today brings to a close another year at school. It has been an important and successful year in so many ways:

- Our conversion to Academy Status with the Diocese
- Above average SATS performance in many important measures (see website for a more detailed breakdown) including the vitally important "3 Level 4's in Year 6" measure
- A range of memorable events that include: *the amazing "Imaginary World" creation, The prayer Space project, The Singing Bishop, Question Time with George Freeman MP, our Christmas Fair and Summer Fete and victories in the Breckland Rugby Finals and the Wayland Athletics Cup*

At this time of year there are of course many farewells:

Our wonderful Year 6 are off to pastures new, having provided the rest of the school with a great example of how to embody the values that are so dear to us at Carbrooke. They have been superb and can be so proud of their efforts over the last seven years.

Mrs Munday leaves us after 3 years of excellent service, working to make sure the older children in the school have been the 'Best They Can Be'.

Mrs Lindner stepped in to replace Mrs Newport in January and has worked hard to help enable Year 5 to be confident as they move into the big shoes of Year 6.

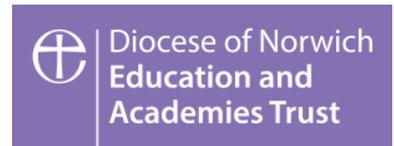
The children at the upper end of our school have really enjoyed Wednesday mornings with Mr Samuels. Such specialist science teaching is rare in primary school and they have learnt so much. We wish Mr Samuels well.

Appropriately I leave Mrs Haslam to last. It is 13 years since Mrs Haslam, our Deputy Head, started at the school and much has changed at Carbrooke in that time.

One thing that has remained constant is Mrs Haslam's wonderful teaching. Countless children and staff have benefited from the wisdom, judgement and care of quite simply one of the best teachers I have had the pleasure to work with. Mrs Haslam has been a friend to us all and if there was such a thing as being given "*the freedom of Carbrooke*" Mrs Haslam would be a contender!

I wish all those leaving the very best for the future, whatever the reason, be it retirement, change of direction or the adventure of High School.

On a personal note I would like to express my gratitude to the whole school community (staff, parents and carers, governors, the PTA, the Church and of course the children) for all of the support, fun and memories you have provided me with.



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I remember asking my first ever class (Wood Green, 1995) what rules they needed to follow when going swimming. Quick as a flash a boy called Diggy put his hand up and said “*Rule One is don’t sink!*” – true I said, I hadn’t thought of that, but what would Rule Two be? – “*em...hm...go forward?*”.

I think over the last four years we have managed to achieve what I think of as “*Diggy’s Laws*” – we haven’t sunk and we have gone some way forward in our quest to achieve the school vision. Thank you.

Have a wonderful summer and I know on your return the fantastic Carbrooke community, bolstered by Mrs Alexis Brand, and then Mrs Hannah Wheeler, will ensure another great year for the school.

Best wishes,

Nick King