



## Westfield Nursery School

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Dear Parents

It is tradition for the governors to write a brief summary of the school year for parents. As we approach the end of school year I am pleased to share this summary with you on behalf of the Governing Body.

In recent weeks we have been pleased to welcome our Headteacher, Mrs Collins, back to work after a long absence whilst she had treatment for cancer. During her absence other staff rose to the challenge of maintaining the ethos and high expectations we have for the children. Due to their support, commitment and hard work this was achieved. We are fortunate to have such a dedicated team especially when staff recruitment and retention is such a challenge for all schools.

As you know four staff are on maternity leave, but we have been able to appoint replacements who have settled in quickly to become part of the team. This has ensured continuity for your children so that they feel happy and safe in the nursery school.

It is the role of the governing body to ensure that Westfield nursery offers the best quality education for your children, so we were delighted that the Ofsted inspector was able to confirm this when he visited in October. The happy place, with high quality learning opportunities where children were excited to be, is one the governors recognise from their regular visits to the nursery. We are so pleased that the inspector experienced this too as well as noting that all children achieve well and that children who need extra help are well supported. Ofsted inspections are always stressful but the public validation that this is a 'Good' school is important. There will always be more to do, and the governors look forward to working in partnership with the school staff to achieve this.

The early years of any child's education are so important, and we are privileged that you have chosen to send your child to Westfield Nursery where we will continue to strive to offer the best learning opportunities to your child. To those families whose children are moving to primary school we wish you and your children happiness and success for the future. To those families and children who are returning after the summer we look forward to continuing to work with you. We would thank you all for working in partnership with the school.

All that remains is to wish you a safe and happy summer holiday when it arrives.

Yours sincerely

Chair of Governors