

*To the lovely families at St. Thomas',*

*For the past 7 years I have been privileged to be part of the St. Thomas' family. Friday is going to be incredibly emotional - and it is likely that I won't be able to speak a great deal! - so I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support that you have shown towards me.*

*The decision to leave has been extremely difficult, largely due to the strong bonds that I have created with staff, children and parents. I have watched so many children progress and blossom, and am honoured to have played a part in their journeys. I love that past pupils are so keen to return, and that children I haven't yet taught speak to me (and cuddle me!) in the corridors.*

*St. Thomas' is a unique place to work as the staff strive to go beyond the expectations of their roles - the children are always at the forefront of their actions, not just educationally, but holistically. I only hope that my new schools can offer a fraction of the dedication shown by my amazing colleagues at St. Thomas'.*

*As excited as I am for my next step, I am so incredibly sad to leave such a wonderful place behind. And that is a testament to our amazing little school.*

*Thank you all so very much! I will miss you all.*

*All my love,*

*Sarah Brereton*