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Ark Boulton Academy



27th May 2022

Dearest Parents and Carers,

I have written many letters home to parents over the past 8 years, but this is without a doubt the most difficult of them all. It is with a heavy heart that I must inform you I will not be returning to Ark Boulton in September 2022.

I can say with complete honesty that pupils at Ark Boulton are some of the best pupils I have ever met. We have children who are full of compassion, who care for one another and live our virtues every single day. They make me extremely proud, and I know they will all go on to do great things in later life. I have so many things to be grateful for; not many Principals have the experience of having an entire staff team that they love working with. They all work extremely hard to give the best they can to our pupils. They make it a joy to come into work each day and I will miss this extended family.

I have also been surrounded by a leadership team who saw my vision and worked with me to make it happen, I know at times it's not been easy, but even through the tough times we've always managed to see the humour and keep a smile on our faces. I feel extremely proud to be handing over the next stage of the journey to Ms Ahmed. Ms. Ahmed has been in the Ark network since training as an NQT 13 years ago and brings with her a real commitment and passion for the local community. I look forward to hearing about all the successes that Ark Boulton will continue to achieve.

To all the Ark Boulton parents and community, I cannot thank you enough. Without hesitation you took me in and made me feel welcome from the start. Knowing how difficult change can be, you have made the experience at Ark Boulton a complete joy. I am committed to giving my all for you until my leaving date, and I will work with Ms Ahmed and the senior leadership team, to ensure that no-one's education is disrupted.

Although I am sad to be leaving, I am excited about the future and the next chapter. I wish the Ark Boulton family all the best, I will miss you all.

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