



# Tilstock<sup>†</sup>

Part of the Marches Academy Trust 

## Talking Heads

Friday 23rd July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, we are at our final day of the year and what a scorching week it has been. However, this was the perfect weather for our Year 6s to take a dip in the local Alderford lake! On Wednesday, Mr Paterson and Mrs Sadler took our Year 6 pupils to enjoy a special trip to the waterpark at Alderford. They had an amazing time and enjoyed the challenge. Not only did they have a lot of fun, but it was noted by all staff, just how exceptionally well behaved, polite, and helpful they were to one another. This was wonderful to hear, as it showed what responsible individuals they have grown into. We are extremely proud of them and wanted to present them with small gifts from our school to say thank you and good luck for the next stage in their learning journeys. We enjoyed a small service with Reverend Armstrong and Reverend Sam to present each child with a bible and special leavers hoody. They were all so thankful and it was wonderful to spend time with them. Good luck Year 6s! We will miss you hugely.



As we enter the summer holidays, I hope you all are able to enjoy some family time and I will look forward to welcoming you back into Tilstock in September! I am truly grateful to work with such wonderful children, staff and parents and I thank you all for your support over what has been a very tricky year. Thank you.

At present, our current covid guidance and timetable remains, however we will be in touch over the summer to alert you to any changes that may affect your child. Take care and stay safe,

*Mrs Rowena Kaminski*

**Head of School**



### Goodbye Mrs Peate!

Sadly, we said goodbye to Mrs Peate this week. Mrs Peate has worked at the school for over 30 years! An incredible commitment to our children and to our community.

I enjoyed a coffee with Mrs Peate to ask her about her time at Tilstock School. She first started at the school in 1990, mostly working within the catering side of things, to ensure the children all got their school dinner! She said the headteacher was a Mrs Bamford at the time and the school was very different to the school it is now. She told me her saddest time was when the school was threatened with closure and numbers dropped rapidly to around 26 pupils, but she told me about her march to Shirehall, with fellow staff and the school was saved! Mrs Peate said that her favourite times were hearing the children singing hymns in the hall and baking with the children, particularly Christmas cakes. She said she will be really sad not to be part of the school anymore, however she feels that she is leaving the school in a 'much better place than when she first came'.

I feel that Mrs Peate is very much part of the school and of our little community, so I have told her that she is very welcome to come back and bake with the children! We wish her a peaceful and very happy, well deserved retirement! Best wishes Mrs Peate- You have been amazing!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

Events at a glance:

**PD Day:** Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021

**First day of Autumn term:** Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021



**Happy birthday to Maddison, who celebrates her birthday today!**

## NEWS



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