



July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Over this week, we will be sending out to you your child's annual report. Despite the challenges of the year, our pupils have achieved so much over the year and we are very proud of them – we hope you are too!

Attached to this letter is an overview of our classes going into September 2020. As previously mentioned in our Highlights newsletter, we are not mixing any cohort this year, given the changing times that our children have already been living through.

We are fortunate to have a strong, committed staff team here at Ashford, but we are saying goodbye at the end of this term to **Miss Oppenheimer** and **Miss Curl**, who are moving on to new jobs and **Mrs Hart**, who is moving away from the area with her family. We are also saying a farewell to **Mr Bruce**, who is retiring. We thank all of these staff members for their commitment and contribution to the Ashford community and we wish them well.

We are delighted to be welcoming to our teaching team from September **Miss Orton**, **Mrs Douglas** and **Mrs Gilchrist**, as well as welcoming back **Miss Richardson** and **Miss Gallant** from their maternity leaves. We have also appointed **Mrs Walker** as the director of music across the Laleham and Ashford Schools Partnership, and she will be continuing some of the good work that Mr Bruce has started in the school.

We would also like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to all our staff team, who have all worked extremely hard with great commitment to the children throughout these recent challenging months.

We are also hugely grateful to parents and carers for your ongoing support of the school, particularly during this difficult and very different year; this level of commitment to the school ensures that our school will continue to go forward into next year with even greater strength and confidence.

Yours sincerely,

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