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Dear Parents and families,

Thank you and have a good summer.

Thank you for all your support over the year which has been an enjoyable and successful one for the school. We have had two successful inspection visits (one from OFSTED in November and an interim Diocesan inspection in June of which we hope to publish the result by September). Thanks particularly to those of you who answered our parent questionnaires for OFSTED and in RE – they really showed the inspectors the high level of support from our parents.

Well done to the children who have been so successful in our sports teams this year – we won Catholic Sports, beating 9 games records, the MK Athletics tournaments for schools of our size and also have been County Champions in Handball . Thanks again for your support in getting children to and from all of our sporting events – their participation depends on your support.

In that regard, I would encourage you to visit the webpage <https://st-monicas.co.uk/information/wrap-around-care-rainbow-club-school-sports-club/> for booking into our sports clubs and our new Rainbow Club from September.

On there, you can book online sports clubs for your children for September – the clubs are KS1 Multisports on Monday, KS2 Dodgeball on Tuesday and KS2 Multisports on Thursday. The cost will be £3 per session - £21 for 7 weeks from the second week back at school. These clubs are usually a great success in terms of numbers of children and we hope that the online booking system will make it easier for parents to book on. Take up to date has been low but we trust that many bookings will be made online over the summer holidays.

As you will be aware, we are taking over the running of before and after school club from September in our Rainbow Club. Again you book on the online system. We have had a large number of children registered so far which is great but we are expecting more over the summer. If you intend your child to attend, please make sure you register them online soon so you can seek help if you need it with the online booking system. Again, thanks to so many parents for attending the two meetings about this. If you have any queries over the summer, please email stmonicas@st-monicas.co.uk and we will get back to you.

A tip for using the online booking system for Rainbow Club – make sure you expand the box in the bottom left of the booking screen so you can see the full range of timings on offer each day.

We say goodbye to a number of staff this year – Mr Mortimer, who is going for promotion to be an assistant headteacher at a local school; Mrs Laskey, who is also going for promotion to be an assistant headteacher at another local school; Miss Day, who has secured a job nearer her home to reduce her commute, and Mrs Grant, who has been with us for many years. We also extend our thanks to Rose and the staff from Genesis who have provided our after school club care to date.

We welcome back Miss Collins, who is going to teach Year 4, and welcome Mr Stothers, who is going to teach Year 5.

Thank you for your patience during our recent building works to extend the classroom size in Year 1 and Year 3. I have met with the builders today and the work is on course to be completed by September. Apologies for any inconvenience but we are sure it will be worth it when the children enjoy their new larger classrooms.

Thank you to FOSM, our PTA, who have done excellent work this year to give fun opportunities to our children. The members have worked really hard and their efforts are very much appreciated. If you are interested in getting involved for next year, please email friendsofstmonicaschool@gmail.com

Finally, may I wish our Year 6 leavers all the best for the future. They have been a credit to you as families and to our school this year. I particularly enjoyed this year's residential trip with them and also the excellent relationships they have formed with their Reception Buddies. Thank you again to so many of you for coming to the Year 6 leavers' event and Mass.

I wish you all the best for the summer and look forward to welcoming your children back on Wednesday 4th September.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Robert O'Malley
Headteacher