

15<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

I am sorry to inform you that I shall be leaving at the end of the summer term for personal reasons. The past six years have been wonderful and I would like to say a heart-felt thank you for all of the support that you have given me over this time.

It has been an absolute privilege to be the Headteacher of our school, and to see the many, many children of Rothbury develop and flourish to be confident and successful young people. I have learnt a huge amount during my time here and I am very proud of the great school that we have. Our Ofsted report last year stands as a testament to the fantastic team at Rothbury First and to the superb quality of care and education that the teachers and supporting staff provide.

I would like to reassure you that the Governing Body have started the process for appointing my successor. We will notify you of the outcome in due course.

Rothbury First will always be a special place for me and I look forward to spending my remaining time with the children and ensuring that the school continues to move forward to be the best that it can be.

I hope that you all have a lovely half term break.

Kind regards

Nicki Mathewson