



NORTHSIDE Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great sadness that we are writing to share some difficult news about Mrs. Parry. As you may know, Mrs. Parry has been unwell for a few weeks and has consequently been to see medical professionals; they have advised her that she is not well enough to return to work, and so with a heavy heart she will be leaving Northside this week.

Despite this upsetting news, Mrs. Parry is facing this next stage of her life with her usual courage, strength and resilience. As many of you know, Mrs. Parry has been a deeply valued member of our school community for over 14 years, and her impact has been felt by pupils, families, and staff alike. She will be coming in to say goodbye to the children on Thursday as part of a celebration of her time at Northside.

This morning, I led an assembly to explain to pupils that Mrs. Parry is very poorly and the doctors have said she will not be able to return to school. We also shared that she will be visiting us on Thursday morning so that we can hold a special goodbye assembly and present her with gifts from the school community. This assembly will be a celebration of her time at Northside and the remarkable difference she has made to so many children and families. I have prepared the pupils for the fact that she may look more tired than usual and may be using a wheelchair or walking frame for support.

We would like to take this moment to recognise the profound contribution Mrs. Parry has made to Northside. Her kindness, dedication, and passion have shaped the lives of countless children and staff members. Her absence will be felt deeply, and we know our community will need time to adjust to this change. Although she will no longer be working at the school, Mrs. Parry will continue to live in the school house, so you may still see her locally in the weeks ahead.

We also want to thank you, in advance, for the understanding and compassion we know you will show to our staff during this time. Many of us have worked closely with Mrs. Parry for a long time, and your support means more than we can express.

Kind regards,
Mrs. Longworth

Executive Headteacher



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