Biscovey Academy

A Member of the Aspire Multi Academy Trust



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Dear Parents,

Writing this letter signals the end of what has been another incredible academic year here at Biscovey Academy.

First, on a personal note, having now been in post as Head of School for a full year, I have the opportunity to reflect on what it means to work alongside such a wonderful, enthusiastic group of children, as well as a dedicated and talented staff. It has been a pleasure and privilege to play my part in offering our children outstanding outcomes and I shall endeavour to continue to do so in the years to come.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported our school over the past year in the many activities that have taken place. Whether it be attending parents’ meetings, school fayres, May Day celebrations, sports events or open afternoons, your ongoing support remains invaluable in making sure the school continues to offer a vast range of exciting opportunities to its pupils. I would like to highlight, in particular, the ongoing support of our wonderful Biscovey Friends Group who have worked tirelessly all year to support various events and help fundraise for the school, to the benefit of all our children.

Over this term alone we have seen children enjoying camps to Falmouth, Delaware, Porthpean and the Isles of Scilly. Our Year 5s took part in the Aspire Sports Day at Par Running Track and Year 3 enjoyed a fantastic day out at the Minack Theatre. We celebrated sporting successes and individual achievements in music and the arts. Without exception, on every occasion the staff have reported how well the children have conducted themselves and represented the school, showing how proud they are to be part of what makes Biscovey Academy outstanding. They are all assets to their parents, our school and the local community.

We have now formally been part of the Aspire Multi Academy Trust for over two years and continue to work as a Core School, taking the lead in many collaborative school improvement activities across our “Hub” and the wider Trust. Staff have relished the chance to work with other professionals in the Trust to share ideas, skills and resources and drive forward educational standards in all Trust schools. We look forward to continuing to play our part in this innovative and forward-thinking Trust, for the benefit of all of the children within it.

Tomorrow, we will be waving goodbye to our current Year 6s and wish them well as they move on to pastures new. Over their time here they have all been great ambassadors for the school, showing hard work and enthusiasm for learning at every opportunity. This has, again, been reflected in this years’ pleasing SATs results. In September, we welcome our new Year 2 children who have already shown maturity, manners and a great positivity about their move to the Junior School during Transition Week. We look forward to seeing them ready and raring to go again in September as they continue on their journeys to become successful learners, confident individuals and responsible citizens.

Staff changes for the next academic year bring both anticipation and excitement, as well as a degree of sadness. We are delighted to welcome Miss Burnett, who has enjoyed a period of long term supply cover at the school, to the Year 4 team and to support our music provision. We are also very proud to welcome Mr Wallbank to the Senior Leadership Team as he comes out of the classroom to take up his new role as Assistant Head and support me in the day to day running of the school.

At the end of term, we say goodbye to a number of school staff who are moving on to new challenges. Mr Tamblyn, Mr Bray and Miss Folland leave us after a memorable year at our school and we wish them the best for their new ventures. After many years of working with children to provide 1:1 and small group support, Miss Orton also retires from her role at the end of the summer term. We thank all of those staff members for their tireless efforts in supporting teaching and learning during their time at the school.

Following our announcement in February, it is also with a degree of sadness that we say goodbye to Mr Green, after 17 memorable years as Head of Biscovey Academy and, more latterly Executive Principal. Together with his team of staff, Governors and with the ongoing support of both parents and children, Mr Green has overseen many great changes in the school, allowing it to become the outstanding and highly regarded academy it is today.

We know Mr Green will miss the children and staff, as well as the strong links he has built up within the community, however we wish him all the best in his new part-time role supporting the Aspire Trust as Director of Wellbeing.

Whilst the world of education is constantly evolving, it is essential that we continue to sustain high standards of education and ensure that the children here at Biscovey enjoy a universal culture of excellence, in which the teaching and learning of an innovative curriculum, together with a culture of safeguarding and supporting those who are vulnerable, leads to outstanding outcomes for all pupils. I am sure that our highly dedicated, experienced and talented team will continue to do so in the next academic year, and in years to come.

On behalf of myself and the staff here at Biscovey Academy, may we thank you for your ongoing support and wish you all an enjoyable and safe summer holiday.

Yours sincerely

**Mr M Corbett**

**Head of School**

     

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