

TRIMLEY ST MARTIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

And so here we are!

Three fabulous years come to an end! I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support over the last three years. This school has changed and developed for the better helped by the fact that I had the support of a motivated and hardworking team of teachers and support staff. The school still has its friendly, welcoming and community feel but has caught up with the rest of the country with regards to standards and achievement.

I have loved my time here at Trimley St Martin and now I am sitting here with one more day to go; I can't quite believe that it is coming to an end! But... I hope that you all knew / expected that I was not going to be here forever. I am incredibly ambitious and therefore the lure of another challenge was just too great.

I have no doubt that this school will continue to grow and strengthen in the coming years. The staff have seen what it is to be in a 'great' school and are constantly looking for ways for us to be better and better. I am pleased that Mrs Ross is taking over the Acting Headship. Mrs Ross is dedicated and committed and does so much work underneath the surface that I have managed to take the credit for! © She will be amazing supported by my strong senior leaders Mrs Matthews and Mrs MacFarlane and the rest of the team here at Trimley.

I think I will miss the children the most. They have been an absolute joy! I will miss being here, opening that gate and finding out what the children have been up to! I will always look back at my time at Trimley with great happiness. A school where I have totally been 'me' and able bring my bonkers personality and bizarre ideas along with me... and everyone has actually quite liked it! Thank you for that!

For me, School is about the learning but also having experiences that the children look back and remember with great fondness. From the residential trips to London, the West End shows, Trimley Vision Song Contest, Trimley Come Dancing, the Rio Carnival, the Disney on the field concert, I hope I have helped create lasting memories for the children. Memories that they will hold on to forever. Things, that in years to come, they tell their children and grandchildren.

I have mentioned the children in assemblies this week, that in years to come, I do want them to find me and let me know how they are getting on and how successful they have become. It will be only then that I will fully believe that my job here is complete.

I'm dreading emotional farewells and worst still... any complements and praise. I am so not a complement person. I was employed to do a job and I hope everyone can see that I have given it everything I have and that things here are better. Not perfect by any means. But better!

Trimley St Martin will always have a special place in my heart. Thank you for three amazing years! I will miss you all!

Paul Stock

Head teacher (for just 1 more day!)