

# St. Michael's Church of England (VA) Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is with a sense of sadness that I announce my retirement as Headteacher of St Michael's CE (VA) Junior School at the end of August 2019.

I have been privileged to be Headteacher here since April 2014 and, in that time, there have been significant improvements and St Michael's is now a successful school, which consistently performs above the national average. There is a very strong, talented and committed staff who I have no doubt will sustain this success over the coming years.

I would like to thank the Governors, who have put their faith and trust in me ever since my appointment five years ago. They have already begun the recruitment process for my successor and I know they will make an outstanding appointment. I hope they recruit an energetic, committed and passionate replacement, who 'gets' the school ethos and will continue our exciting journey.

I have enjoyed my job enormously and there has certainly never been a dull moment! I will miss everything about the school – your wonderful children who engage me every day with their amazing contributions, good humour and achievements; you, the parents, who have been so supportive of our developments (and to me personally) and to all those parents who have tirelessly worked for SMASH for the benefit of our children.

My role has been all the more rewarding due to the wonderful team of people that work at St Michael's. Their commitment, dedication, friendship and, above all, their passion for the children, ensures that I am able to end my teaching career on such a positive note; I would like to thank every one of them.

Thank you all, once again, for your friendship and support.

Kind regards



Maria Rumsey  
Headteacher

