



North Yorkshire County Council

# Mowbray School



Dear Parent/Carer

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017

As you all know we break up on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm and it signifies a year full of achievements for the school, which through newsletters, our website, in meetings with parents and through our [facebook](#) page, school staff have kept you informed of what has been happening. It is easy to single out the obvious, such as our newly constructed teaching block, but that is a physical thing and is not reflective of the huge individual achievements of all our pupils. I am sure that through the half termly **2Build a Profile** reports you will have seen evidence of the progress your child has made throughout the year and I would like to congratulate every one of them, and thank the staff for their ceaseless efforts over the year.

It is also the time to say goodbye to our Year 11 pupils and their parents, I hope that they all leave with pride in what they have achieved and with many fond memories of school. This is also a time of trepidation for those pupils and their families, as they leave into the adult world and I hope that they thrive in whatever setting they next join, on behalf of all of the staff, I wish them well. Do keep in contact with us and if you need our support in the future, then do contact us.

Over the summer holidays we are again holding a summer holiday scheme and I am very grateful for the Governor's agreeing to subsidise this activity, without this it would be far too costly to run. Also during the holidays there is considerable building work to be completed, including a new staff room and staff work room which is being installed above the current staff room by a company called *moduloft*, I will post updates of this work on our [facebook](#) page (<https://www.facebook.com/mowbrayschool/>) throughout the holidays. I am very pleased to say that the Local Authority are replacing our boilers during the summer break. We are also having several classrooms redecorated, a new medical room created, as well as additional toilets and office spaces. When the school was first built, it was designed for 150 pupils and 20 staff, in September we will have over 210 pupils and in excess of 100 staff, hence the need for a new staff room and work rooms.

The Governors and I, have always taken the onus and responsibility upon ourselves, to improve our facilities and our provision, without the assumption that the Local Authority will do that for us and it is because of this that our facilities and provision has continued to improve and expand. We continue to look ahead to what else we need for our pupils and school and are working closely with other partners to achieve this, when the time is right I will provide you with further detail about this.

At the end of each school year we say good bye to colleagues who are leaving us and I would like to thank them for all they have contributed to the education of our pupils and our school and wish them well, they are;

Miss Nichol, Mrs French, Miss Foulerton, Mr Young, Mrs Hayes, Mrs Burke, Mrs Howe, Miss Clark, Gillian Lyon (School Nurse) and Mrs Edwards.

This week all our pupils and those starting in September, have spent two and half days in their new class in preparation for next term, this has been our most comprehensive whole school transition process we have ever had in place, in addition to this we have also brought in our new staff who start in September. This has hugely benefitted both pupils and staff, my thanks to Mrs Oliver and Mr Wilford for organising this.

I wish you all a peaceful summer and look forward to school opening on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Tearle, Headteacher