



From Mr Wells

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We have come to an end of another challenging and eventful half term and the whole school community is looking forward to a quick reset before attacking the second half of Spring. I wrote last week about the team's dedication, passion, support and care: and it's this commitment which has helped the school on the journey so far. Walt Disney said: *"You can dream, create, design and build the most wonderful ideas in the world, but it requires people to make a dream a reality."* The team have the dedication and commitment to continue that accelerated progress that we've started together and the strength & support of each other to ensure that those 'green shoots' of excellence evident across school become rooted trees! As writer and novelist Michael Korda said: *"One way to keep momentum going is to have constantly greater goals."* One of my favourite quotes (one I think I've shared before); one that I found myself returning to this week as I reflect on my time with your school.

Like everyone, I had expected Mrs Moore to be gearing up to return with you and to share that transition directly with her. I had also hoped to have been able to share this news with you sooner; but the governors had to wait to hear from Mrs Moore and then subsequently the LEA about their plans for an interim leader in the continued absence of your substantive headteacher.

I have begun the process of handing over/transiting plans, monitoring evidence, reports etc. with the governors, the LEA (Local Education Authority) and with Miss Georgina Day, headteacher at Kirkby-On-Bain. Together they will ensure that the positive progress will continue at the accelerated pace. Our school colleagues are happy to continue to work together too: sharing moderation & assessments... and we'll see to that football re-match too!

I will be in after half term to spend time with Miss Day so that the positive work continues seamlessly and that the areas for development can continue to be addressed. In case I don't get an opportunity in person, I wish the whole school community all the best for the future. It has been a pleasure to have been part of the team and to have been a part of the school's development. It's been hard work & fast work and I'm proud of how well the staff have taken to the steps implemented. I know that they'll keep this going! Thank you to you all for welcoming me into your community.

All the very best,
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