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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to write to you on completing my first year as the Headteacher of Clifford Road Primary. I would like to thank you for your warm welcome and the support you have shown for the school.

We have much to be proud of at our school with us all working hard to enhance and improve provision and outcomes for our pupils. OFSTED says that our capacity to improve is good and that we have the ability to move the school forward with the support of parents, dedicated staff, a committed team of governors and of course.....great children!

I feel that our mission statement and ethos should say and reflect what it is we are trying to achieve. I feel that as a school we must remember that we are ***“Celebrating achievement in all”***.

At Clifford Road we want to encourage and develop a love of learning for our pupils that will stay with them throughout their lives. Our aim is that they are healthy and safe, that they enjoy and achieve in all that they do and they make a positive contribution to society and have success in the future.

### **Healthy Schools and Active Mark**

From our new logo's you will see that the school has achieved Healthy Schools Status. A special thank you to Mrs. Roberts who was instrumental in helping us to achieve this in her role as Healthy Schools Coordinator.

We have also been awarded the Active Mark 2008. This rewards exceptional delivery in the National Sports Strategy. Well done to all involved!

### **Tuck Shop**

Through consultation with the Parents Council it has been agreed to trial not having a Tuck Shop for a month. Various issues have been raised about the amount of money being brought in by children, supervision during this time and any rubbish that is left after it. After this trial period the School Council will discuss what the next move should be. Is a Tuck Shop needed? If so, how is the best way for it to be organised and run?

### **Lost Property**

We have a large amount of unnamed clothing in the lost property boxes so would you please take the time to claim any items belonging to your child! We lack the space to keep all these clothes so anything remaining at the end of Friday will be disposed of.

### **PTA Jumble Sale**

The PTA are having a Credit Crunch Jumble Sale on 30<sup>th</sup> April so if you're having a clear-out over the Easter Holidays, please donate any unwanted items to this event.

Have a great break! School reopens for everyone on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

Steve Wood  
Head Teacher