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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the end of yet another amazing year, I am writing to you with our end of term arrangements.

- There will be no enrichment on Thursday 18th July due to the awards evening for nominated recipients.
- Thursday 25th July will be a free non-uniform day. School will finish for students for the summer at 1:30pm on Thursday 25th July.

We will be writing to you again in the summer with our updated parent handbook. There have been some changes to this in readiness for the new year so please find time to familiarise yourself with the contents.

This is always a sad time of the year as we say goodbye to colleagues. I want to thank the following members of staff for all of their hard work and commitment to Garibaldi and wish them all the best for the future:

Miss Pringle Teacher of History Mrs Brown Teacher of English

Administration Manager Mrs Coleman Mr Hunt Assistant Head Teacher Mr Lane Director of English

Whilst I thank all members of staff for their contribution to the school, I want to give a particular mention to the final three colleagues on the list who have a combined service to Garibaldi of over 70 years. The impact you have had on so many peoples lives in the local community is immense. Mr Lane ventures into retirement after having worked at Garibaldi for 33 years.

As we bid farewell to colleagues, we also welcome new staff who will be joining us September. I would like to offer a warm welcome to the following colleagues:

Mr Cassidy **Head Teacher**

Mrs Guest Assistant Head Teacher Teacher of Science Miss Bartlett Mr Chamorro Portillo Teacher of Spanish

Miss Griffiths Teacher of English / Drama

From September, the structure of the school week will be changing. Please see table below for further information.



Timings of the school day (2024 – 2025) Monday – Friday

8:30am	Start time
	Movement Break
8:35am – 9:05am	Mentor Time
9:05am – 10:05am	Period 1
10:05am - 11:20am	
Break 1 – 10:05am – 10:20am Break 2 – 11:05am – 11:20am	Period 2 (including break time)
11:20am – 12:20pm	Period 3
12:20pm – 2:00pm Lunch 1 – 12:20pm – 1:00pm (Movement 5 minutes at 12:55pm) Lunch 2 – 1:20pm – 2:00pm (Movement 5 minutes at 1:55pm)	Period 4 (including lunch time) Period 4a – 12:20pm – 1:20pm Period 4b – 1:00pm – 2:00pm
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Period 5

Finally... as I write my final letter to you, I want to thank you for all the help, support, care, compassion and commitment to supporting me, the staff and your children and making Garibaldi the amazing place it is today. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving the Garibaldi community and have learnt so much which I will take with me to my new school.

Garibaldi is a truly wonderful, unique and special place and I wish all associated with it, the very best for the future.

I hope you have a restful and enjoyable summer break.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Aldred Head Teacher