



Dear All,

As we reach the end of very a difficult year, the Academy committee wanted to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to the whole school community. We would like to congratulate the Samuel Barlow Community and the Wainwright community on its spirit and resilience during the upheaval of Covid -19.

Firstly, thank you to Mrs Kahler and Mr Chapman for leading their school with such care and clarity, the wellbeing of the school community always at the forefront of some difficult decision making.

Thank you to the amazing teachers, teaching assistants and school support staff, who every day make a vital difference to the lives of our children. Your passion, commitment and drive to inspire our children is something to be proud of and grateful for, especially during such a difficult year. The Academy committee governors want to pay tribute to your hard work and dedication during the most challenging times.

It is important to recognise how challenging this year has also been for our parents and carers in supporting home learning. Many families have been maintaining employment under uncertain circumstances or working entirely from home while also trying to support children with learning and the unwavering support should be applauded.

Above all a massive thank you to our children. The resilience and attitude you have shown is enviable and we are all so proud of every single one of you. Your ability to adapt to change has been exceptional and you are all a credit to our community.

We have missed being able to visit the school to celebrate and share the Academies' achievements, let us hope next year brings with it some normality. Whatever the next term brings, we are confident our community will continue to come together showing the professionalism, care and allegiance we have seen throughout the pandemic.

We hope you all have a restful few weeks and enjoy time with loved ones.

Best wishes

Mrs Jen Oliver Academy Committee governor