

Dear Owls, ★★



It is indeed a very strange way to say farewell to a class who have been such an important part of every day of Stewart Headlam for the last eight years or so. To have to do so in such strained circumstances, and with such uncertainty ahead, is heart-breaking...

It doesn't make it any easier knowing that all of you have already gone from our classrooms, not **realising that MARCH 2020 was the last time you were in school.** What perhaps makes it hardest of all is that, at a time when what we most naturally desire is to embrace you all, we must instead keep our distance and send everyone of you off in your own directions-to your **NEW SECONDARY SCHOOLS!**

How quickly time flies...

I still remember when at the beginning of the year, I looked at your adorable photos to call you by name, now when I think of you all, I hear your distant laughter and remember fondly a conversation we shared before the lockdown. Behind your *sparkling eyes*, you were keen to learn and I wondered to myself (like I always do in September): 'How do I ignite that spark?'

But as usual, over the course of our time together, that spark was surely ignited but alas, Covid19 doused it...creating havoc in our learning journey! Despite all, I did learn what motivated you, your favourite learning style, how to encourage you and what frustrated you the most. So remember the good times in year 6 and marvel at what you have achieved in such a short time. BE **PROUD** OF YOURSELF!!

This year it has been my absolute pleasure having you all in my class and my great privilege to have been part of yours. I wish you all the very best in your Secondary schools and I know you all will STRIVE your BEST! **Remember OWLS' motto:** ★

Reach for the MOON, even if you fall, You will land amongst the STARS!! ★

When all this is over, we will come back together again just as strong a community as before, if not stronger.....Haleema