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End of Year Letter

Dear Parents,

The final two weeks of the school year have been simply glorious with a range of outstanding events and activities celebrating all that is good at Quinton House School.

Our beautiful school grounds provided a fabulous setting for a quintessential British sports day for our lower years Junior School children with our senior students demonstrating their leadership skills as judges and officials. The grounds have witnessed several treasure hunts with children looking for clues or matching photographs on our Junior School Activity Day or on Transition Day, where a record 50 children now prepare to start in Year 7 in September. The grounds are certainly displayed in all their splendour for our special prize giving events in the marquee. The Nursery Graduation, Junior School Prize Afternoon, Sports Presentation Evening, and Senior School Prize Giving have all marked the successes and achievements of our children in what has been a memorable year at Quinton House School.

The superb setting of Moulton College Athletics Track provided first-class facilities and for our talented athletes on Sports Day for Q3 to Q10 children. There were impressive performances at all ages, no surprise after five of our children qualified for the ISA National Athletics Finals where Ebouka Nwokyji won two sprinting gold medals and Kayden Dixon won gold in the Shot. The Marriott Hotel also provided a wonderful setting for our senior graduates to display their fabulous outfits and smart suits at a most enjoyable prom. We offer our very best wishes to all children moving on from Quinton to continue their educational journey

The quality of the musical and speaking performances in our prize giving occasions has clearly demonstrated the talents within the school in the performing arts. The performances on these occasions reflected the high quality of performances throughout the week of our House Performing Arts Festival. Sister Act in the Senior School and Pantastic in the Junior School both provided entertaining performances of the highest quality.

The contributions of our teaching and support staff are clearly critical in the successes and achievements of the school year. Inevitably at this time we must both sadly say farewell to some staff whilst outlining our exciting new team for the coming year. We offer our appreciation and best wishes to all members of staff now moving on from the school.

Mr Capuano joined as Head of Junior School in April 2017 and now moves to become Head of Prep at Sherrardswood School in Welwyn. Mrs Saghri will prove to be an excellent replacement as Head of Junior School leading a strong team and ably supported by our Heads of Key Stages, Mrs Usher and Miss

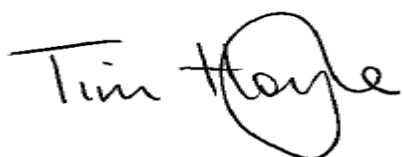
Billington. Mrs Pearson also moves role within the Junior School taking on the significant and important challenges of developing the new Accelerated Reading Scheme and furthering her work with the children on mental health and well-being. In accordance with government guidelines, Mrs Pearson will become our Mental Health Manager in the Junior School, in addition to our Reading and Emotional Literacy Co-ordinator. Mrs Murrell commenced work at Quinton House School in 1999 and Mrs Wylie started her life in our Nursery in 2002. Both have made a considerable contribution in developing and enhancing the lives of young people in their care and we wish both a very long and happy retirement. Miss Howard now leaves to take up a new teaching post and Miss McKenzie will leave to develop her career as a school SENCo. Mrs Bates has returned from her maternity leave and we welcome her back as the SENCo and we welcome Hannah Smith and Melissa Shaw to our class teacher team working in Key Stage 1.

In the Senior School, Mrs Marshall will move with her family to the South West and Mr Plummer will take on the role of Head of Geography. Mrs Khan will also leave the school to continue her passion for A Level teaching and I am delighted that Mrs Whitehouse who was employed at the school last year and is known to the students will be joining us in September. Mrs Walker will also leave as Science Technician to be replaced by Mrs Hackett. Miss Dale and Mrs Sandell will both be leaving our learning support team after making a notable contribution to meeting the needs of children requiring additional support. I am delighted that we have secured the services of Mrs Burnett to become our new external dyslexia specialist.

I would also like to offer our congratulations to our new Head Boy and Head Girl in the Senior School, William Strawson and Jaimee Moore; and our new Head Boy and Head Girl in the Junior School, Bodie Hamilton and Evie Bryant-Martin.

The rhythm of school life means that we will soon commence a new school year with great excitement and optimism. Our School Improvement Plan provides much to look forward to and we have been delighted with the completion of our IT refresh this term. Term starts for all children on Wednesday 4th September. The qualities that are embodied within our School Ethos have been much in evidence in our end of year events and activities. We hope that all will return after a restful and relaxing holiday with a desire to demonstrate and support our drive for Quality, Harmony and Success in all that we do.

Have a wonderful holiday,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tim Hoyle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, circular flourish at the end of the name.

Tim Hoyle
Headmaster