

13 July 2026

Dear Adult(s) with Parental Responsibility,

As I approach my retirement at the end of this week, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the support you have shown me and the school over the last 10 years. It has been an absolute joy leading Sarah Bonnell School and witnessing the growth and achievements of our awesome students.

1. Good News - Celebrating a successful Summer Term 2026

The latest version of The Sarah Bonnell News will be on our school website ready for you to read very soon. The Summer issue shines a light on the many achievements of our brilliant students and staff. **#SBonnellGirlsWhoCan**

2. Term Dates for 2026-27

You can find the term dates for next school year on the school website. You will remember that we have moved to a 2 week October half-term break across the NCL Trust.

3. Start of Term arrangements - September 2026

Ms Carter, Head of School, and Mr Hemmings, Director of Education for NCL Trust, are looking forward to welcoming all students and staff back to a new school year in September:

Tuesday 1 September 2026	Staff Professional Learning Day (School closed for students)
Wednesday 2 September 2026	Year 7 and Year 11 attend school from 11.00 - 1500
Thursday 3 September 2026	All students return 8.25 - 3.00pm <i>students should make their way to the MUGA to line up</i>

4. Thursday 16 July 2026 and Friday 17 July 2026

Your daughter must empty their locker before 1530 on **Thursday 16 July 2026** . This will enable us to deep clean them during the summer holiday. Any items left inside lockers will be removed.

On **Friday 17 July** we are celebrating our students' achievements in our annual prize giving assemblies. Students will be dismissed to make their own way home at the earlier time of **1215** via the Water Lane gates.

I wish you all the very best for the future and a safe and restful summer.

Yours faithfully,

Rae Potter - Headteacher