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18th July, 2025.

Dear Parents / Carers,

I cannot believe that we have come to the end of yet another academic year. It does not seem like two minutes since we were welcoming the children back from the summer holidays last year, all dressed up in their new uniforms, with their shiny new shoes and (in year 6's case) proudly wearing their blue and gold ties, especially reserved for our oldest pupils.

This week we have completed our annual Tie Assembly, where the outgoing Year 6 pupils presented the incomers with their special new ties and words of wisdom for their final year at Herman. For me, it is always quite an emotional assembly as we reflect on just how far the children have progressed and changed since September.

We also held our attendance assembly, and I was thrilled to see how many children had not missed a day off in the Summer Term. A special well done to the thirteen pupils who have not missed a day at school during the whole year! They received an extra special certificate and award.

As always, we held our attendance raffle for children who have attended for at least 98% of the term. This time the rewards were a family ticket for the Arc cinema in Great Yarmouth, as well as a family ticket to the Wellington Bowl. We hope both families will enjoy their days out over the summer break.

It has been a very successful year here at Herman. The Year 6 pupils achieved their highest SATs results ever and we are very proud of them. We will be saying goodbye, not only to the pupils in Year 6, but in some cases, to families whose children have all come through Herman. As one parent told me, 'it is the end of an era.' We very much hope that you will all stay in touch and visit us at our fayres and celebrations.

The youngest pupils have also been recognised, with Mrs Jackson and her Early Years Team being shortlisted for a Nursery World Award for best Early Years provision. This will take place in London in September. Please wish us lots of luck!

Recently, we have hosted Headteachers and staff from a range of schools, who have come to look at the provision that we offer across the Academy. This is a huge honour and reflects all the hard work that our staff put in each day to ensure all pupils thrive. I cannot be prouder of them.

Inevitably, at the end of each year, we say goodbye to staff who are moving on to new opportunities. Miss Allen will be moving north to be nearer family. Mr Kabankov will be taking up a teaching post in

Lowestoft and Miss Smith will be taking on a Head of School post in Kessingland. I am sure you will join me in wishing them every success for the future, whilst knowing that we will miss them greatly.

Finally, I would like to wish you the happiest of holidays and thank you for your ongoing support and lovely messages that we have received over the year. As always, we welcome any feedback that helps us to become the best that we can be.

Wishing you all a safe and happy holiday.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs K. Redhead
Principal