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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another academic year, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to you for your ongoing support and to take a moment to reflect on the many achievements and milestones we have shared as a school community.

This year has been filled with proud moments - academic excellence, creative expression, sporting success, and a deepening commitment to kindness, resilience and leadership across the school. Whether in the classroom, on the stage, in debate chambers, on the sports field or through community initiatives, our students have shown remarkable character and ambition.

We are especially proud of our Year 11 and Year 13 students who have faced the demands of GCSEs and A Levels with determination and maturity. We look forward to celebrating their results in the summer and supporting them in the next steps of their journey - whether continuing into our Sixth Form, heading to university, or embarking on new paths.

This year has been rich with learning, growth and pride. From outstanding academic performances and inspiring creative work to success in sport and student leadership, our girls have continued to embody the school values we hold dear - courage, courtesy, creativity, integrity, resilience, respect and wisdom.

One of the greatest strengths of our school is the richness of our diverse community. Our students come from a wide range of backgrounds, cultures and experiences, and together they contribute to an environment where every girl is encouraged to find her voice and celebrate the uniqueness of others. This diversity is not only something we are proud of - it is a cornerstone of the inclusive, vibrant and respectful culture we nurture here.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognise and pay tribute to a number of staff members who are retiring this year after many years of dedicated service, either to Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School or to education more widely; Mr Royden, Joint Head of Media and Film (38 years at QEGS), Mr Jones, Senior Deputy Headteacher (21 years at QEGS), Ms Myrtle Head of Science (11 years at QEGS) and Mr Contor, Teacher of English and Drama (8 years at QEGS). Their contribution to the life of our school has been immeasurable. They have shaped generations of students through their care, expertise and commitment, and they leave behind a legacy of inspiration and integrity. We thank them wholeheartedly and wish them every happiness in the next chapter of their lives.

To all our staff, I offer my sincere gratitude for their energy, creativity and tireless dedication. It is their passion that helps our girls flourish both academically and personally.

Across all year groups, it has been a joy to watch our students grow - not only academically but also as young women who are thoughtful, courageous, and prepared to take their place in the world. The strength of our school lies not only in our high standards, but in the strong sense of community that binds us together. This year has been a testament to that spirit.

As we look ahead, we remain ambitious for the future. We will continue to develop our curriculum and student opportunities to ensure that every girl leaves us confident, compassionate and ready to make a difference in the world.

For now, I wish you and your families a peaceful, happy and restorative summer break. We look forward to welcoming the girls back in September, refreshed, reenergised and ready for all that lies ahead.

With warmest wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Violet Walker". The script is cursive and elegant, with the first letter 'V' being particularly large and stylized.

Violet Walker
Headteacher