

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**30<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

Dear parents, carers and families

The Endeavour Big Picnic is almost here – please do join us on Tuesday 11 July. This will be a celebration for everyone who has been involved in the life of Endeavour this year and an opportunity to ‘put a face to a name’ for external stakeholders who you may not have had the chance to meet. All picnic food and drinks will be provided.

This week I have had the pleasure of attending the awards ceremony for the prestigious Oxford Brookes Placement of the Year. We were thrilled to be nominated for the work that Sian Pratchett, our OT, has undertaken with OT students from Oxford Brookes in mentoring them and hosting for placements. We were the only school involved in the awards and this is huge accolade to our outward facing approach at Endeavour.

We welcomed on site this week Jo Jones. Jo, former Headteacher at Northern House, is now the Service Manager for the SEN Support Services (SENS) in County.

I was delighted to attend training in London this week with Matthew Sayed author of ‘Bounce’ and ‘Black Box Thinking’. If you have not read these books, I highly recommend. I will be undertaking training with staff next academic year on the underlying theme of both books; growth mind-set.

I have discussed classes for the next academic year with teachers and hope to be able to send class lists to you next Friday.

## Endeavour House

We were contacted this week by Oxfordshire Fire & Rescue to arrange a visit from a Fire Safety Inspector. During the visit, the materials used for the cladding at the front of Endeavour House were inspected, and they were able to confirm that they pass the required safety checks

## Date Reminder

A reminder that education will be finishing for the summer at 3:00pm on Friday 21 July. Students return on Tuesday 05 September. After school club will also resume on 05 September.

To finish on this week's quote:



**Ofsted**  
raising standards  
improving lives

**"Education should be about broadening minds, enriching communities and advancing civilisation.**

**"Ultimately, it is about leaving the world a better place than we found it."**

**Her Majesty's Chief Inspector,  
Amanda Spielman**

We Endeavour to be the best.....

Best wishes

Angela O'Rourke  
Principal