

## **Guru Nanak Sikh Academy**

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Founder: Sant Baba Amar Singh Ji

Chief Executive Officer: Mr Jaskamal S. Sidhu

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Dear Parents / Carers,

I have written many letters to you over the years but this is without a doubt the most difficult of them all. It is with great sadness that I have to inform you that following an amazing 18 years of service to the school, I will be leaving Guru Nanak Sikh Academy. Whilst having to make the difficult decision to leave GNSA, I still feel very humbled to have the opportunity of working in another Sikh Faith School closer to home where I can continue to serve the community as their Headteacher.

When I reflect back, I have so many things to be grateful for, including the very special relationships I have developed with you over the years. I have thoroughly enjoyed greeting and meeting you at the gate and catching up with you. They say parents can be tricky in most schools but I feel utterly blessed to have been able to work with such a supportive community.

Thank you for entrusting me with your wonderful children - who without a doubt are the best. Do you remember the feeling you had when you dropped them off to school on their first day? You were hopeful, nervous and maybe sad to leave them? I feel a very similar feeling as I prepare to move on in December. We have pupils who are full of compassion, who care for one another and are keen to learn. It makes me so proud of them and I hope that with Waheguru Ji's blessings they all go on to do great things in later life.

I have no doubt that this school will continue to grow and strengthen in the coming years. The staff in the Primary are an incredible asset to the school and I feel so blessed to have had an opportunity to be able to work with them. I have full faith that they will continue to support and nurture your children so that they achieve their goals and ambitions.

It is pleasing to announce that Miss O'Leary will be taking over as Acting Vice Principal until a permanent appointment is made. Miss O'Leary has been a dedicated and committed member of the GNSA team and does so much work underneath the surface. She has been an amazing support to myself and the team over the years and we are so lucky to have her. I am certain that under Mr Sidhu's fantastic leadership and guidance together with the support of our very strong teaching and support teams that the school will continue to have a very successful future.

In the meantime, I look forward to seeing you at events and at the gates between now and the Christmas break. In case I don't have the chance to see you, please know that your children will forever be in my heart, and I've seen their talents and those unique personality traits that make each of your children special- and I love them all.

Kind regards

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