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Dear Parents/Carers and Students

It is a real privilege to be the leader of such a vibrant school as BBEC with such enthusiastic and engaging students, supported and challenged by caring, dedicated and loyal staff, parents and governors but I have taken the difficult decision to retire at the end of this school year.

I have been a teacher for thirty-nine years, twenty of those in Bradford and four at BBEC. I am so incredibly proud to be the Head of School at BBEC and take great pleasure in seeing our students flourish as confident, successful, courteous and kind young people. We have been through such a lot as the BBEC family over the last four years and so it will be incredibly difficult for me to leave BBEC. However, the time is now right for me to think about focusing on my personal life and enjoying my retirement.

The BDAT team have already started to make arrangements to find a replacement headteacher but please rest assured, that I will work tirelessly for the rest of the year with my brilliant staff team and all of you to continue to make each and every child at BBEC successful and happy and to continue to keep the school improving every day.

I will remain Head of School for the next 5½ months so this is certainly not goodbye but as my role will be advertised nationally very soon it would be discourteous not to let you know before this happens.

I look forward to continuing to work with you all over the next term and a half.

Yours sincerely

Ruth J Hartley Head of School







