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Dear families,

RE: Goodbye from Mr Milum

I am writing to extend my thanks to families for the overwhelming support I have received in developing Avanti Gardens School. Your support has meant we have partnered to make significant improvements to benefit our pupils' academic and social development.

Having begun my tenure during the Covid'19 pandemic, there have certainly been many unexpected challenges along the way. I have led the improvement in care and safety of pupils, set high expectations of behaviour, and developed standards of Teaching and Learning. The culture of the school has meant that children attend more regularly and achieve better outcomes, which lead them to successfully transition to their next stage of learning at secondary school.

Families know that I live locally, and if I had children, they would attend AGS. This has been an enormous personal motivation to ensure that standards of education at AGS are consistently high with no exceptions, no matter a pupils' starting point or needs.

The school is now stable, with a very capable and high-performing team of staff who will continue to take the school from strength to strength, keeping the focus on caring for our pupils and ensuring they meet their potential. I am hugely grateful to each member of staff for pulling together to execute our ambitious vision.

I hand the school over to Ms Travis, who understands the school context well and has exciting plans for how to develop the school further. We have met numerous times to ensure a full and thorough handover.

The pupils at AGS have been a delight - I have been very fortunate to be the custodian for this amazing school. It has certainly been the highlight of my career to date. I am excited to take up my new challenge but will miss Avanti Gardens School enormously.

Yours Faithfully,

Ashley Milum
Principal
Avanti Gardens School

