



Farewell Speech for Mrs Dourley

Presented by the Year 6 Students
on behalf of all the students of St Thomas the Apostle Catholic Primary School

Mrs Dourley,

The positive changes you have made have helped our school community grow stronger, especially during times when we needed it most. We are truly grateful for your leadership and guidance, which have made St Thomas a more caring, welcoming and supportive place. Through your knowledge, kindness and confidence, you created an environment where everyone feels valued and encouraged to do their best.

You have always been there for students, staff and families, offering comfort, understanding and encouragement whenever it was needed. Your empathy and calm approach helped people through difficult moments and reminded us that no one had to face challenges alone.

We will also always remember Oshie and Tui, as well as all the puppies and dogs you brought to school over the years. They brought so much joy to our days and taught us the importance of caring for animals with kindness, patience and responsibility. These are memories that many of us will treasure for years to come.

Every morning, you set a positive tone by sharing good news and greeting everyone with kindness. The way you led with compassion inspired us to treat others with respect, care and empathy.

Thank you for the lasting impact you have had on our school community. Your leadership, generosity and belief in others have helped shape St Thomas into the wonderful place it is today.

As you begin your next chapter at St Agatha's Primary School, we wish you every success and happiness. We know you will make the same positive difference there as you have here at St Thomas.

Thank you for everything, Mrs Dourley. We will always remember the difference you have made, and you will always be a special part of the St Thomas community. Good luck at St Agatha's!

As a small thank you, the students of St Thomas have created a special gift for you to remember us by. We hope it reminds you of the many happy memories, friendships and lives you have touched during your time here.