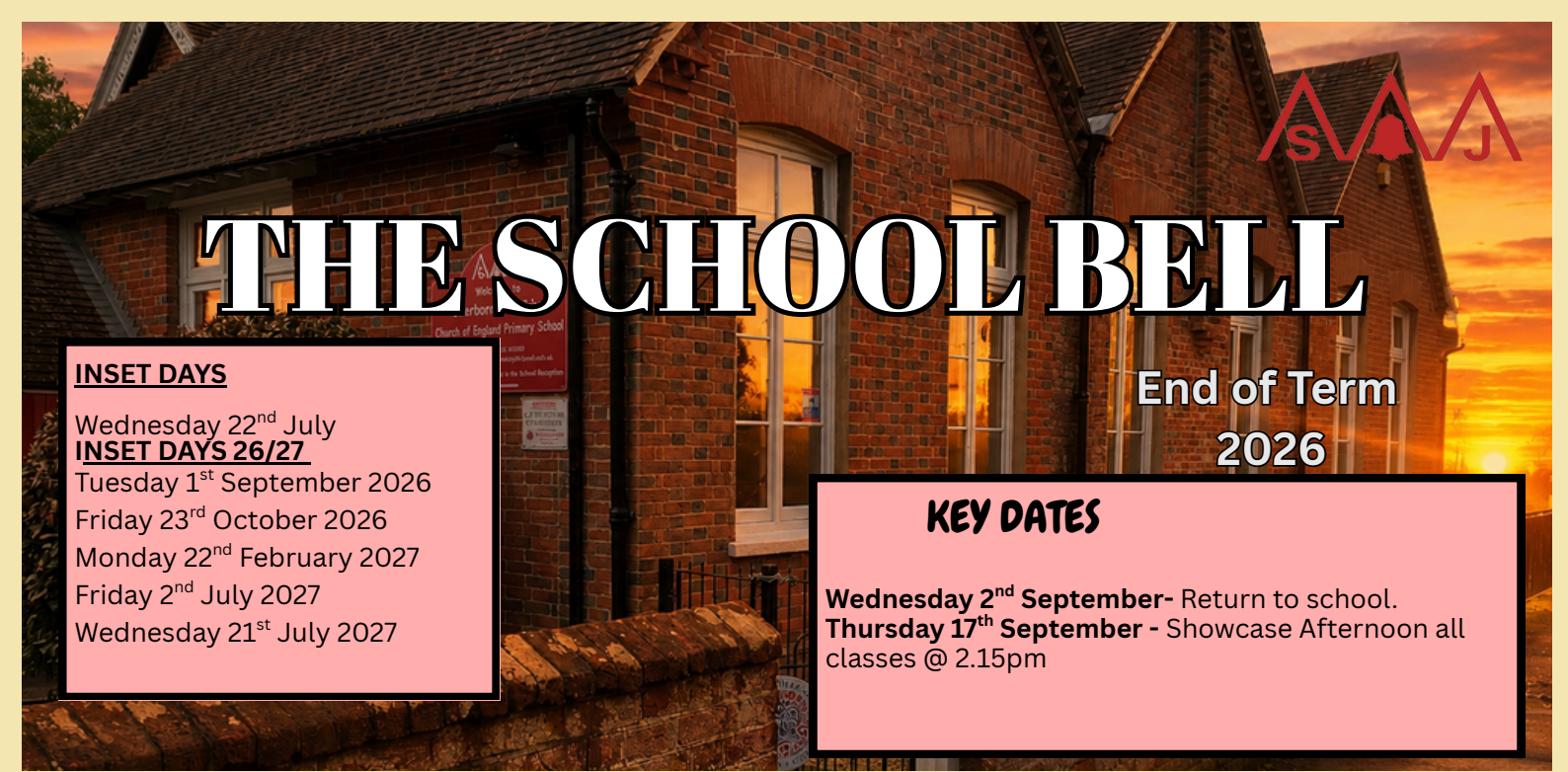




THE SCHOOL BELL

INSET DAYS

Wednesday 22nd July

INSET DAYS 26/27

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Friday 23rd October 2026

Monday 22nd February 2027

Friday 2nd July 2027

Wednesday 21st July 2027

**End of Term
2026**

KEY DATES

Wednesday 2nd September- Return to school.

Thursday 17th September - Showcase Afternoon all classes @ 2.15pm

Dear All,

What a fantastic end to 21 plus years at SSJ! Thank you so much for attending the Summer Picnic and for all your kind words, cards and gifts. It has been a journey and one I wouldn't change, there has been lots of laughter and a few tears (usually when OFSTED calls) over the years. Your continued support has been greatly appreciated. It is a privilege to teach and watch your children as they mature and move through the school.

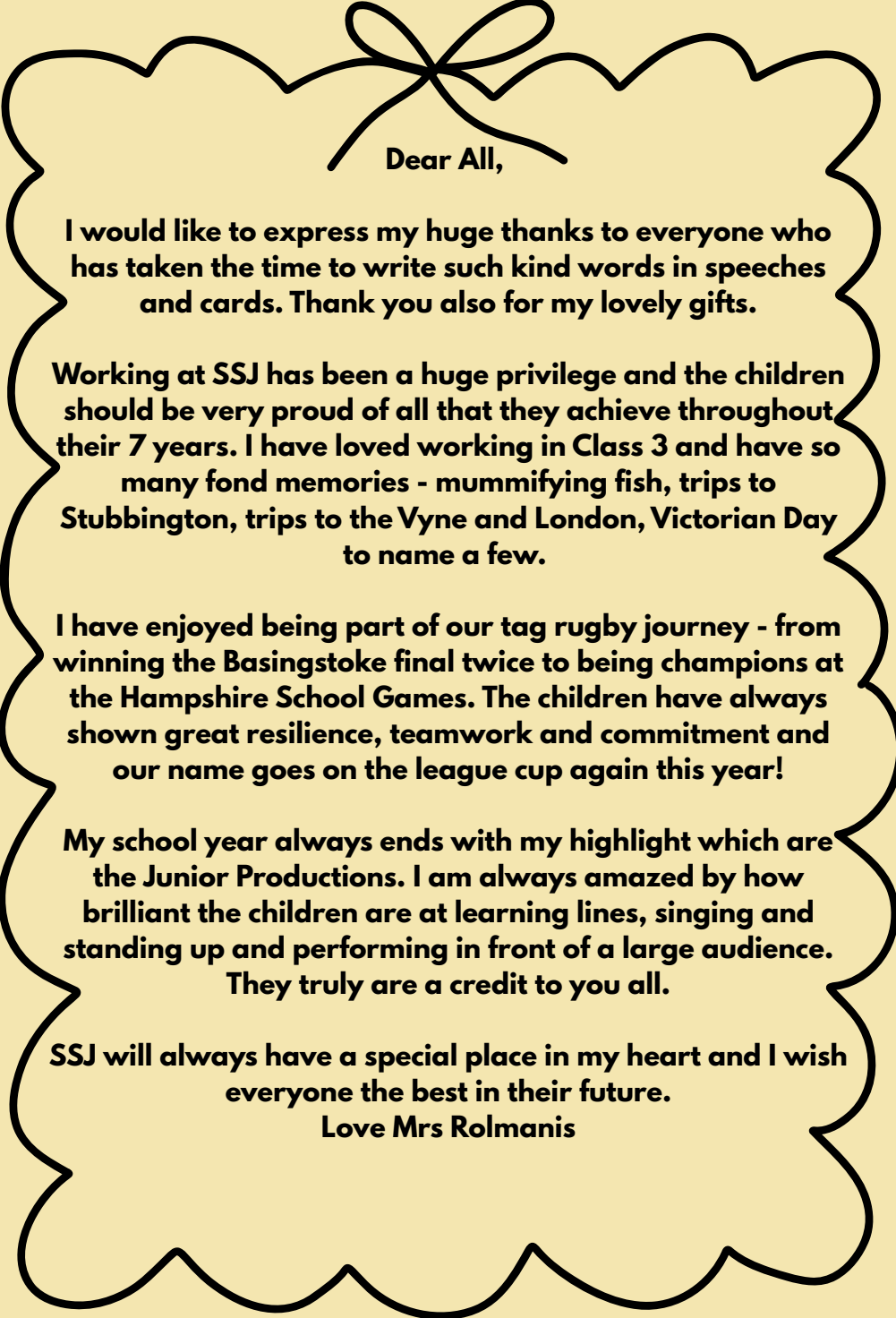
I could not have done this without the staff both current and past who all make up the SSJ team. I would particularly like to give a shout out to the wonderful KS1 staff. I have had the pleasure to be part of so many children's learning journeys and they have played a major part role in their achievements too. They are also very good at making sure I have had a tidy classroom and coffee in the morning. Thank you!

SSJ is a fabulous community and I am very sad to be leaving it behind. However, I am looking forward to booking cheaper term time holidays!

Wishing you all the very best and enjoy the Summer.

Love

Mrs Johnston x



Dear All,

I would like to express my huge thanks to everyone who has taken the time to write such kind words in speeches and cards. Thank you also for my lovely gifts.

Working at SSJ has been a huge privilege and the children should be very proud of all that they achieve throughout their 7 years. I have loved working in Class 3 and have so many fond memories - mummifying fish, trips to Stubbington, trips to the Vyne and London, Victorian Day to name a few.

I have enjoyed being part of our tag rugby journey - from winning the Basingstoke final twice to being champions at the Hampshire School Games. The children have always shown great resilience, teamwork and commitment and our name goes on the league cup again this year!

My school year always ends with my highlight which are the Junior Productions. I am always amazed by how brilliant the children are at learning lines, singing and standing up and performing in front of a large audience. They truly are a credit to you all.

**SSJ will always have a special place in my heart and I wish everyone the best in their future.
Love Mrs Rolmanis**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for gifts, cards, and the kind words. I have been truly touched by your kindness and generosity. I have been at SSJ for 18 years, to me it has been far more than a job, it has been a huge part of my life, and I feel very privileged to have been a part of the lives of so many children and families over this time. I have so many fond memories from residential trips, Victorian day, Tag Rugby, and of course the productions! Where Mrs Rolmanis directs, gets the children singing, dancing, and acting I have been the prop maker - this year making the Lion King headdresses and seeing the children wearing them has been a huge highlight for me, giving them to the children to take home for them to keep, makes it even more special for me.

Thank you again, as I move onto my new role, SSJ and its community will always hold a special place in my heart.

Wishing you all a safe and happy future.

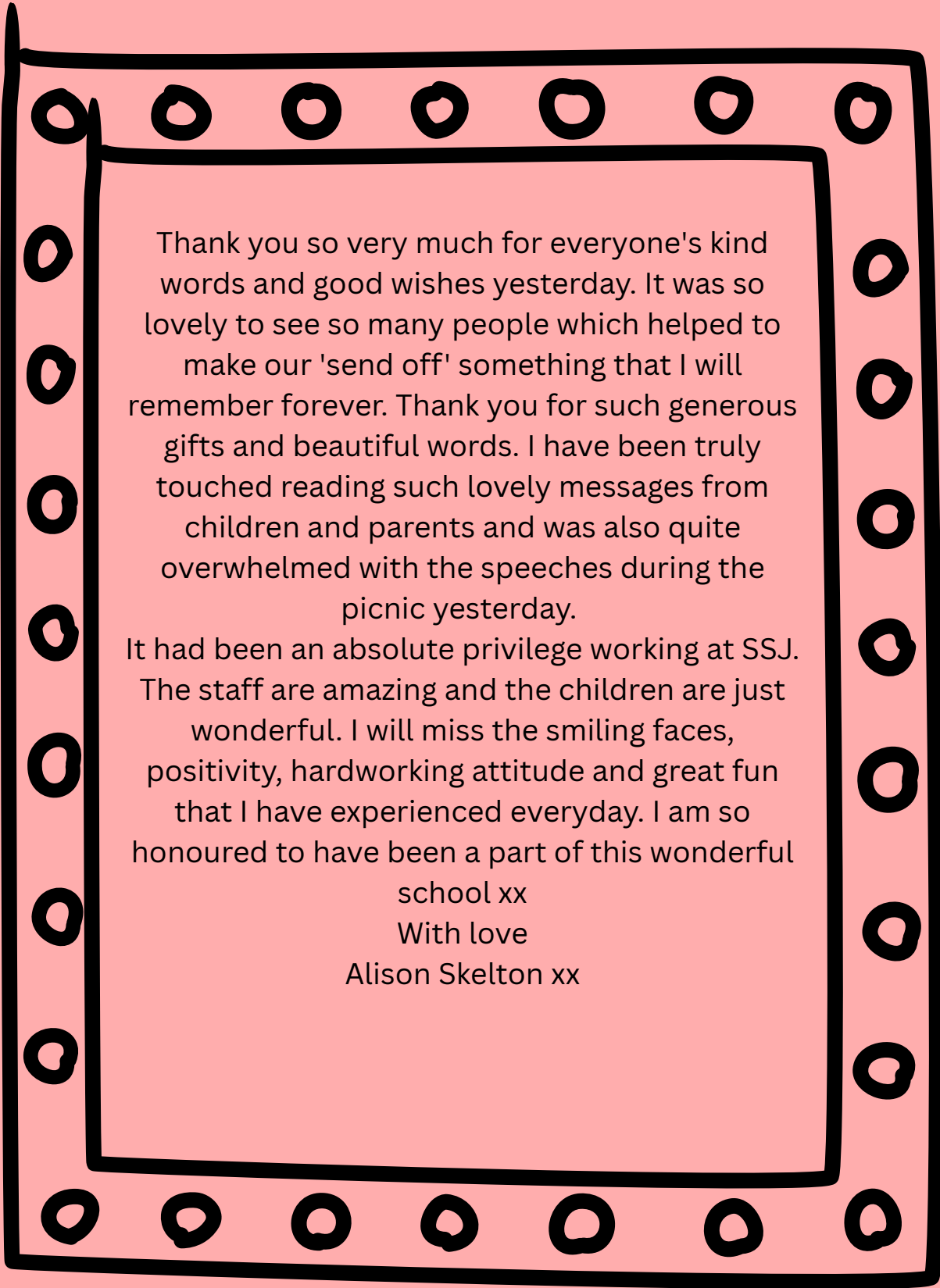
**With love from
Mrs Juliette Curd**

Having worked at SSJ on and off for 20 years, it is with great sadness that I am leaving.

I am so thankful to have worked with such a talented and committed team. Your support and encouragement as a school community has been a privilege to be a part of. I am truly overwhelmed by your kind words and the generosity you have shown in my leaving gifts.

Your children have been a joy to teach and the reason why I do the job I do. I will really miss seeing you and your children and wish them every success in everything they go on to do.

Love Mrs Webster



Thank you so very much for everyone's kind words and good wishes yesterday. It was so lovely to see so many people which helped to make our 'send off' something that I will remember forever. Thank you for such generous gifts and beautiful words. I have been truly touched reading such lovely messages from children and parents and was also quite overwhelmed with the speeches during the picnic yesterday.

It had been an absolute privilege working at SSJ. The staff are amazing and the children are just wonderful. I will miss the smiling faces, positivity, hardworking attitude and great fun that I have experienced everyday. I am so honoured to have been a part of this wonderful school xx

With love

Alison Skelton xx

Back To School Reminders and Changes

To help everyone have a smooth start to the new school year, please take note of the following reminders:

School Bags

- All children in the Infant classes are expected to have a school book bag.
- Please ensure book bags are used for carrying books only. Damaged books are costly to replace, particularly when water bottles leak into bags.
- Infant children do not require rucksacks, as storage space is very limited in classrooms.
- In Key Stage 2, please consider the size of your child's rucksack. Large bags can be difficult to store and may become a trip hazard.

Earrings

- If you are considering having your child's ears pierced, the summer holiday is an ideal time to allow them to heal.
- Children must remove earrings before PE lessons or be able to do so independently.
- Staff are unable to remove or insert earrings for children.

Toys and Focus Tools

- Please do not send toys or focus tools into school without prior discussion with your child's teacher.
- Any focus tools required by children will be provided by school as part of our ordinarily available provision.

PE

- There will be no PE lessons during the week beginning 2nd September.
- PE days will be shared with families during the first few days back.
- Children should continue to attend school wearing their PE kit on PE days.

Wellies

- All children should have a pair of wellies in school so they can make full use of our wonderful grounds throughout the autumn and winter months.
- Please send wellies in a named plastic bag and ensure both the wellies and the bag are clearly labelled.

Collection Arrangements from September

Infant Classes

- All Infant children will be collected at 3.10pm from their outdoor classroom gate.
- Please enter through the main gate and wait for the class teacher to bring children to you.

Class 3

- Children will be collected from the area outside the main office.
- Please enter through the gate and wait for the teacher to dismiss children safely to parents and carers.

Class 4

- Collection will continue from the main gate in the lane.

Leaving School Unaccompanied (Years 5 & 6)

- If your child is entering Year 5 or Year 6 and you would like them to leave school unaccompanied, please complete the [online permission form](#).
- Permission must be renewed for September as we move to our new electronic safeguarding system.