

21st May 2021

Dear Parent and Carer,

It is with great sadness that I bring you the news that Mrs Laundon, our wonderful EYFS teaching assistant, passed away on Saturday 17th May following a long battle with cancer. Her courage and positivity have been an inspiration to us all throughout her period of illness and as she continued to work in the Foundation Stage, until the beginning of this academic year.



Mrs Laundon joined Caroline Chisholm School in 2004 as an exceptional early years practitioner. She played a significant role in establishing our Foundation Stage Provision when the school first opened. Due to her long service, Mrs Laundon has been known and loved by all our primary families whose children have now progressed through our school community to 6th Form and beyond. The FS staff team, in particular, have really appreciated the messages of sympathy that a number of parents have expressed during the course of this week.

We will be collating a book filled with memories and messages of condolence from our school community, which we will gift to Mrs Laundon's family in memory of and in celebration of her time at Caroline Chisholm School. If you would like to contribute to this special book, please email your family's message directly to Mrs McCormack, Foundation Stage Leader, using the email address [amcormack@ccs.northants.sch.uk](mailto:amcormack@ccs.northants.sch.uk) by Friday 28th May.

We are also looking into ways that we can create a lasting memorial for Mrs Laundon at school, which can benefit the education and wellbeing of the children in the years to come, and which reflects the passion of this very special lady, who touched the lives of so many people throughout our community.

On Monday morning, we will be having a special assembly to remember Mrs Laundon and following this, the children will have the opportunity to express their memories and feelings with the support of their teachers and support staff, at this very sad time for our school.

As life and learning continues at school, Mrs Laundon's memory will live on in what we do each day, through the nurture and education of the children in our care.

Yours sincerely,



Katherine Patterson  
Vice Principal

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