

Dear Parents,

Choosing the best school for your child is always difficult. First and foremost, you want your children to be happy since, we all know, that is a prerequisite for them to thrive. But as a parent you also look for more – you want the School to respect and instil the same values as your own and for the School to support your child to succeed to their full potential, in whatever field that may be.

As the Chair of the Godstowe governors, this is something I understand. I chose Godstowe for both my girls and it is because of what Godstowe offered them that, when they left, I agreed to become a governor (and latterly the Chair). As time has gone on, the value of their time at the school has become ever more apparent, a view I know shared by the parents of many of their compatriots.

Importantly, my girls look back on their time at Godstowe with affection and happy memories and many years later, Godstowe classmates count amongst their closest friends.

Godstowe has given my girls a true love of learning with a willingness to challenge and question but balanced with the appropriate level of respect and consideration. This has stood them in great stead throughout their academic careers and as they move into the work environment.

I hope that a visit to our website and perhaps a trip around the School will allow you to experience for yourselves what makes Godstowe such a special school and help you to understand why those associated with it, whether as a pupil, parent or teacher, have a special place in their hearts for the School.

"Once a Godstowe girl, always a Godstowe girl".

Best wishes,

Tara Leaver Chair of Governors