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## 'Congratulations Mr Bramwell'



We would like to say a massive 'Congratulations' to our Executive Principal Mr Simon Bramwell who has recently been recognised on the Queen's Birthday Honours list for his contribution to education, children's services and equality.

The Queen's Birthday Honours list published on Friday 16 June 2017 recognises over 130 people who have made outstanding contributions to education, children's services or advancing equality and diversity.

Those honoured include people working in schools, colleges and universities as well as foster carers and children's social workers.

Mr Bramwell said: "I'm really grateful to have been nominated for this honour. I hope it is seen as a reflection of the dedication and commitment of the large team of dedicated professionals who have helped to improve life chances for young people across the region."

"It is an absolute privilege to have done, and continue to do, the job I love. To receive recognition in this way is hugely rewarding and affirming both to myself and other colleagues who work with the same purpose.

I could not have done the work I have without the support and understanding of my family and I know that they too are, as I am, very proud to accept this award." This is a fantastic honour and achievement for Mr Bramwell and the whole of the Vantage Academy Trust.

## 'Goodbye & Good Luck Nan'



Last Friday during our Celebration assembly we sadly said 'Goodbye' to Nan our Mandarin teacher, who has now gone home to China.

Nan had been with us for the last year and was in school every Friday teaching the children to speak Mandarin. The children really enjoyed this time and were always eager to participate in her lessons.

Our children made some fantastic cards for Nan to take home with her and from everybody here at St James we would like to wish her all the very best for the future.