



16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### Final Days of Term

After what has been another disrupted year of school (and everything else), we have finally arrived at the final few days of term before the summer break. The news of restrictions finally being lifted ready for the summer is welcome news. As it stands, we are planning for a 'normal' school year in September. We will confirm drop off / pick up timings and locations etc. which will likely be similar to pre-Covid times, on the week before the children return to school. This is to make sure we have all the latest government advice to hand, as we know things can change overnight!

You will be aware that the government has advised that 'bubbles' can be ended as of 19<sup>th</sup> July (next Monday). However, schools can decide if they choose to follow this approach, or not, before the end of term. This would essentially mean that all children would be allowed to mix and have indoor assemblies in the hall for the final few days of term. We have decided to wait until September to do this as it puts all children and families at risk of potential 10 day isolation. For example, if one child in a whole school indoor assembly tested positive for Covid-19, it would put the entire school at risk of isolation due to close contact; not something we are willing to risk before the summer holidays! However, the government will not require close contact isolation from September which makes it a better time to end bubbles. We will not require parents to wear masks for drop off / pick up times on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July (you can if you wish to) but we ask you to respect the distance between others.

Let's all hope for a sunny summer and a smooth start to school in September. Happy holidays!

Mr Khan ☺

### Congratulations

As you will know, Mrs Stops took on the role of Acting Deputy Headteacher last year. I am pleased to announce that from September, this role will be made permanent and no longer 'acting'! Mrs Stops will keep her classroom responsibilities as planned and will be supported by our amazing Mrs Woodall, as she has done this year, who will teach the class when Mrs Stops is carrying out her Deputy role.

### Sponsorship Money

We would like to thank everyone who has donated funds towards the sponsored run event last week which was held to raise money for Kaiden's operation. We have been overwhelmed by your generosity. Please can any outstanding donations be handed into school by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July. Thank you all! ☺

### Reading Books

Please can all school reading books be returned to your child's class teacher **by Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July**. Thank you.

### Goodbyes

As you know from correspondence in our previous newsletter, we have some members of staff leaving this year who we will be sad to see go. You will also be aware that our incredible Year 6s are leaving to go to high school; this is an exciting time as they start their next chapter of their school journey but it doesn't take away from it being a sad time for us all as we have to say goodbye. We wish you all the best of luck for your future endeavours!



Our current Year 6 class when they were in Year 1

