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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Message from Mrs Peace

Well, the end of another school year is here and we are all once again sad to be saying goodbye to our 21 children from Year 6.

They are all growing up beautifully, maturing well and now have great learning behaviours ready for high school. We are thrilled to announce our headline figures for our Year 6 SATs this year with clear progress being made in all areas. These figures will need to be finalised by the Department for Education, but early indicators suggest 71% of our children have hit the expected milestones in Reading, 61% in Writing and 57% in Maths.

Year 6 SATs are the only data set externally marked and verified, and give the greatest indicator of a school's progress (published in October 2023).

I'd like to thank all of my teachers, teaching assistants and tutors for supporting our children this year in all year groups but a special thank you to our current Year 6 children who have come on a huge amount - I'm sure you can see their progress yourself.

### Reports

Our reports went home on Friday with a slip which needs returning tomorrow please. This gives our parents the opportunity to tell us that they have received the report, but also make any comments to their class teacher or myself to help support us in our continual journey of improvement.

### School Closes and begins

We break up for the summer holidays tomorrow: Wednesday 19th July at 12:45pm (after lunch). Please ensure your child is wearing normal school uniform.

Our Year 6 children can leave with parents straight after their 9am Leavers' Assembly on Wednesday 19th July - siblings can leave too but they may be missing a class party.

Children return to school at 8:55am on Wednesday 6th September 2023.

### Uniform for Years 1-6

All children in Mrs Smith's class and above are required to have FULL uniform from September. White polo t-shirt and grey trousers/skirt with a royal blue School Jumper with our logo, white socks and black shoes/trainers. PE kits are also expected with parents rung this year if they are not worn. For PE: Navy blue joggers/leggings with a white round neck t-shirt (plain - no-make), black trainers

New

## Uniform for Early Years Children (Nursery and Reception)

To be purchased from the School Office:		
<p>Navy Jumper <i>(please purchase through the school office)</i></p>  <p>£7.50</p>	<p>New School Coat <i>(please purchase through the school office)</i></p>  <p>£15.00</p>	<p>New Book Bag <i>(please purchase through the school office)</i></p>  <p>£5.00</p>
To be purchased from any shop:		
 <p>White polo shirt</p>  <p>Socks should be white, grey or black</p>	<p>Navy Jogging Bottoms / Navy leggings or Navy shorts / skorts</p> 	<p>Black smart trainers AND Black pumps</p> 

Early Years Parents should be able to purchase jumpers, coats and book bags from the office on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September between 2-3pm.

Prices include a partially funded discount from Co-op of 50%.

### Year 5 Parents

Our 11+ sessions have been very successful - I hope your children have been enjoying the sessions. Please keep an eye on your grammar school of choice's website to ensure

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that you are familiar when and where the 11+ assessments take place (they are usually at the end of September).

### **Enrichments**

A full programme of enrichment activities will once again be available to our children early in the new term. Please keep an eye out for the sign up list in the first week of term.

### **Hangout Haven**

Mrs Hall's club will require parents to book sessions a week in advance from September 2023. There will also be a fee of £2 per session (before school or after school).

Full information will be shared with parents in the first week of term. In our current cost of living crisis, we have to ask for this donation towards the running of Hangout Haven.

Thank you for your continued support this half term.

Please do not hesitate to contact our school office on 0151 652 5124 if you have any queries, or need further support. We want our children to take ownership of their learning and see the importance of having a good education.

Thanks again everyone.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Peace  
**Headteacher**