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Dear Parents

We have come to the end of another year in school; the likes of which I do not think I will ever see again. There have been many challenges over the past four months but the strength of our school community has really shone through and it has been wonderful to see how people have been supporting and caring for each other both in and out of school. I would like to thank our wonderful staff team for their hard work and flexibility in adapting to ever changing guidance, often with very little notice. We are very fortunate at Twyford to have such a supportive and dedicated team.

Earlier this week I sent you our plans for September and I am hopeful that the start to the new school year will be smooth, providing purpose and structure for our children once again. I would like to thank all of our families for their endeavours during school closure in supporting their children with home learning. I know it has not been easy and many of you have had to balance work, being a parent, being a teacher as well as finding time to do all the other things that are needed. Thank you so much for your effort, every little thing you did to support learning is valuable.

We are very excited about a couple of big developments taking place within school over the summer holidays. The planning for them has been taking place over the past couple of years. The first is the redevelopment of our early year's area. Staff came into school last weekend to help prepare the area; the classrooms are now bare and everything has been removed ready for the decorators to give the rooms a well needed lick of paint and new flooring to be laid. We received a delivery of new furniture for these classrooms this week too. We are excited about the transformation that will take place and will share photographs of it with you all next term. The second development links to the IT structure for the delivery of our curriculum in school. Over this past term a lot of work has been taking place behind the scenes to prepare us for a switch to using Google Suite as the main platform through which we will deliver IT based learning in school and at home. We will be using Chromebooks in school, instead of desktops, enabling a more flexible approach when using IT to support the curriculum. In September the children will be introduced to the different elements of Google Suite and this new way of working - although, being children, I expect they will pick it up much quicker than the staff in school!

Today we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6s. I am so pleased that we have been able to provide a final week in school for them. The work they have completed on transition, spending time together, developing confidence and having the opportunity to draw a close to the end of their time at primary school has been so important. Every time I have seen them this week, they all have a huge smile on their faces. I love hearing from their parents how the children have told them more about school this week than the whole of the rest of the time they have at school! That just shows how much this opportunity to be together again means to each and every one of them. I wish them every success as they move onto their new schools – I encourage each of them to remember to seek opportunities to shine.

I do hope that you are all able to enjoy the summer break and I look forward to seeing you all back in school next term.

With warm wishes

JUDITH BLOOMFIELD
Headteacher

Our school Christian vision: "I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

