



Dear parents

The end of term always makes me reflect and think about all the things that have happened over the year. I never dreamt that we would be in the middle of a pandemic and would have faced some of the most exhaustingly challenging times schools have ever known. I'd never heard of TEAMS, blended learning and virtual learning was something other schools did.

Despite the difficult times I can honestly say I've never been prouder of my school, my colleagues and my profession. I'm so proud of the children and parents who have learnt in whatever way they can at home. I'm so proud of our keyworkers, but also their children who haven't had a day off school since March but come in smiling every day.

It has been emotional, stressful and exhausting. We may not have got every decision right, we may not have pleased everyone, but we put our hearts and souls into it, and we have all come through this together. We did our best - I think we are all amazing.

On behalf of the staff team, I wish all of our families a lovely summer and look forward to seeing all of the children again on Wednesday 2nd September 2020.



Farewells

Sadly we say goodbye this week to Mia (Year 5), Matthew (Year 4) Jakob (Year 3) and Alannah (Year 3). We wish them all the best of luck in their new schools. We also, of course say farewell to our Year 6 children. They have been wonderful ambassadors of our school showing great resilience over these past few months despite the disappointment of not celebrating their Primary Years in the usual way. We wish you all every success in the future.

Message from Jo Lambert on behalf of FODS

Dear Jill,

I just wanted to say thank you for all your hard work for our school and supporting the staff and children so brilliantly through this difficult time. Wishing you a fantastic summer break and time with your new puppy.

Also, as you say farewell to Year 6 children and some parents please could you add a thank you to Anita Reeves on the newsletter for all her hard work for FODS over the years. She has contributed a lot to school life and fundraising for the school and think it would be great to give her a mention as she was Vice Chair for FODS for many years and then returned this year to support again.

Many thanks
Jo

Celebrating lockdown!



