

2nd July 2021

Dear Families,

I am incredibly pleased to be sending this from our fully operating schools. Long may this continue. I am aware of many schools who have not been so lucky.

We have postponed some of transition plans however and I apologise for the disappointment I know this will have caused.

We are still planning our parent free sporting events and will share photographs with you. We are going ahead with our Year 6 leaver event on Friday. We will be moving our Sand Hutton Year 4 children into Class 3 as arranged.

While we are thinking about transition, now is the time to share with you the news that Miss Parkinson will be leaving us to pursue a career in teaching. We are incredibly sad about this for obvious reasons. She has been an integral part of our federation team and has worked across both schools during our COVID-19 challenges. Sad though we are, we know that she will be an amazing teacher and we are fortunate to have been part of her journey into the profession. We also know that this will not be the last we see of her. I know that you will want to share your best wishes with her in your own way.

I hope that you enjoyed a wonderful sporting weekend despite the shocking weather. I was enthralled by the tennis and celebrated the football victory in a small way from my isolation. The children in Class Three at Sand Hutton wondered whether we could mark the match on Wednesday and raise a little money in the process. In the spirit of support for the England team, children are invited to come to school in red and white and this includes football kits. We would be grateful to accept 50p to do this and or any loose change. The money raised will go towards the charity promoted previously by Miss Harrison and Class Three also wanted to contribute towards Barnardo's following reading the book Street Child. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for any contribution you choose to make.

Further details will be communicated about Friday to families of Year 6 children.

Please continue to do whatever it is you are doing to perpetuate our lucky streak. I am also planning a meeting for all parents of the federation on Wednesday 8th September at 4pm. This is to give children chance to get home and for a family member to attend. It is to meet new parents and share with you the vision for the federation as we move away from recent restrictions. This just gives you advance warning.

Stay safe.

Best wishes

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