

Dear Parents/Carers,

It probably doesn't seem that long ago since your child started school and here we are with your child in their last term at primary school. And what a memorable term it is going to be for them.

As soon as the children donned their black jumpers they realised this was the year they needed to work as hard as they could. It was also the first year, in a long time, of uninterrupted schooling for them. We all acknowledge that they started with many gaps in their learning but they are continuing to work hard with commitment and enthusiasm to try to fill those gaps, especially in mathematics. And now the SATs are upon us, starting on Monday 9 May. (Information about the SATs was sent to you on 1 March and the letter is still available on the website) These tests are a record of what the children have achieved and the progress they have made this year. It is imperative that your child comes to school every day so learning is not lost and during the week of the tests attendance is absolutely crucial. If your child is not well please phone the school as soon as you can so alternative arrangements can be made for your child to take the test.

As you can see from the curriculum map overleaf we continue to provide a broad and interesting curriculum for your children and aim to make them ready and well prepared for secondary school. After the SATs they will continue to follow the planned curriculum but there will also be many other exciting experiences for them including a trip to the Greek Orthodox Church in May, a trip to Butlins for many of the children (meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup> at 3.30pm), another Café (outside this time,) Sports Day and picnic, Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebration, a Leavers' Concert and a disco amongst some other activities including a few ice creams!

Your child will need support and encouragement over the next few days as your child's wellbeing is key to them being able to perform at their best. You can make sure they get enough sleep, engage in physical activities, eat healthily, spend time connecting with nature and hear reassuring words from you. As you know, the staff are always available to talk to you briefly before school starts in the morning and after school.

The SAT's Breakfast Club is open during the test week and these are always very supportive occasions where children and staff start the day together in the most relaxed way we can. I do hope to see all the children there.

Kind regards,

All the staff in the Year 6 Team

