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## Final Newsletter of the Academic Year

Dear Parents,

The end of term has finally arrived and we have been lucky enough to enjoy a few days of lovely weather. The class rooms are being emptied, the bins are overflowing and the school is nearly ready to start all over again in September. It really does feel like only a short time ago since the year started; it's terrifying how quickly they seem to pass!

We have been delighted with our children's efforts throughout the year. As a school that prides itself on nurturing children regardless of ability and celebrating their progress and achievements, we are extremely proud that they have put so much commitment into all areas of learning.

Our Early Years (Reception Class) have exceeded national expectations in their learning goals and the children will continue to receive bespoke support to ensure that this continues.

The children in Year 1 have exceeded National expectations in their National Phonics Check and again children that require further support will receive this throughout Year 2.

Progress in Year 2 has also been extremely pleasing. The children have again exceeded national expectations and we are delighted with how they have performed. They are more than ready to embrace all that the juniors has to offer.

Our children in Year 6 have made fantastic progress and we are delighted with each child's achievements. The class have again achieved standards well above national averages in all subjects and I have been particularly pleased with how a number of children have really pushed themselves this year.

A huge 'well done' to all of our children; they should be extremely proud!

Our Governors have had a full and very active part in school this year and would like to thank you for the support that you give to your children. I would also like to echo these sentiments and say a huge thank you to all of our parents, grand parents and other family members who support our children in school. Quite simply, your child's ability to thrive does not work without a positive home/school partnership and I am proud of the fact that our school benefits from these positive relationships.

A special thanks also to Fr Grant, who will lead our Year 6 Leavers Mass tomorrow at 10.00am. We wish our school leavers every happiness and success and hope that they enjoy the next stage of their journey in life.

On a final note, this particular newsletter could become a 'collectors item' in the future. Not only due to its riveting content, but because it will be the last paper version of this form of communication type. In future, all correspondence like this will be sent electronically as we embrace an environmentally friendly, cost effective digital age. Details of school events and achievements will continue to be published on the school website, school app and through parentmail. We also hope to develop our school's social media presence in the new academic year and more details regarding this will be given then.

Thank you again for your continued support and I hope you all have a peaceful and enjoyable Summer Holiday.

## Message from Mr MacAreavy

Can I thank you all for your continued prayers and kind words of support throughout the past months. I have finished my chemotherapy and have been more than fortunate with relatively few side effects. The support from you and your children has been instrumental in helping me through this difficult time. I would like to thank you all and I am looking forward to returning to school with your children at the start of our new and exciting school year.

## **Return to School**

We return to school on Thursday 5th September and I look forward to welcoming you all back following your Summer Holidays. Please can I remind everyone that all items of clothing must be clearly labelled. Earrings are not permitted and trainers are not considered appropriate footwear, sensible black shoes are what is stipulated in the school prospectus.