



My highlight of my week...

Simple: seeing all of the children back in school. Most of them appeared as though they had never been away!

It was also very nice to be told that I was a good goalie after I had joined in with a Y6 football match at playtime on Thursday. (Boyhood dreams!)

Governors approved changes to the summer term plans and these have now started:

- **Additional wellbeing activities on a daily basis**
- **The use of additional support staff (already in post) to enable additional, focused interventions where needed**
- **Maintaining as broad a curriculum offer as possible whilst doing more work on the key elements required to make sure that children can access the next stage of their learning in September**
- **Spending additional time each day on the key elements of the curriculum (letter sent home to each year group)**
- **An emphasis on older pupils being ready for secondary school before the end of the year**

In other news...

- **Parent/Carers' Evenings** – Thank you to everyone who booked a telephone conversation with their child's teacher. We hope that it was useful. As we consider which aspects of the Covid-enforced changes have been helpful and we might keep, please let me know what you thought of phone calls in place of coming in to school.
- **Please sign up for our ParentApp if you haven't already done so.** Over 83% of families are signed up and as soon as we get nearer to 100% we will use it as our main communication tool. Please contact the office if you haven't signed up yet.
- **The Uniform Shop** will be open every Thursday from 2.45pm-3.30pm. Penny does a great job and sells both new and as good-as-new uniform with prices less than £1 for many items. Please come to the Main Entrance and she will come to talk to you outside.
- **Use of social media** – parents have asked me to put out a plea to all adults connected with school to make sure that other people's children are not discussed on social media. If you are not happy about something that happens in school, please contact us directly and we will do everything possible to help.
- School has a revised **Privacy Statement** which describes how we handle data about you and your child. It can be viewed on our website. Look for Data Protection.
- We are finalising the intended activities for the rest of this term and will send them out when we have full details.

AND FINALLY...

I am so pleased that we have been able to safely re-open to all pupils after the break. **Thank you** to everyone, especially extended family members who are helping with pick-up and drop-off.

Please do not send your child to school if they have any symptoms of Covid and please be aware that there are still cases arising with some schools already having to close classes.

Please report any new cases of Covid in your household to the office on 01723 365686 during the week and to me at weekends on 07598 600241 so that we can take any necessary action advised by Public Health England.

Stay safe, *Chris Kirkham-Knowles (Headteacher)*