



What a Year it has Been!



The Quiet Area, left to its own devices, has grown wild with sunflowers!



The garden is blooming beautifully!

This has been the most unusual teaching and learning experience ever for pupils, parents and teachers alike! None of us could have ever envisioned the major upheaval we have all had to endure over the past 4 months and even if we had, I am sure we wouldn't have been able to foresee how well everyone has been able to adapt and cope! Back in March I had never heard of Zoom or Loom and the idea of teaching remotely or blended learning was a completely alien concept but our magnificent staff, parents and pupils have just taken everything in their stride and made the best of it. Thank you all for your support.



There have continued to be improvements around school despite the circumstances due to the willingness of our community. The flowers have continued to flourish with the help of **Ms Wade** coming in regularly and making sure everywhere is weeded and watered.

The back garden which was started by Gardening Club has also continued to improve due to the efforts of **Ms Frost** and **Mrs Northrop**. It has also had a new fence which was kindly donated by **Meads** and erected by **Mr Northrop**.

Outdoor sinks - A big thank you to **Mr Badcock** who fitted two new outdoor sinks in super-quick time to help with hand hygiene ready for our return to school in June.

Leavers - The Y6 had an unusual end to term but still special and very memorable with a socially distanced picnic on the field and a 'bijou' service in church! Well done and congratulations to Zoe De Boer Scrivens who was the recipient of the Trustees Award. We wish all our Year 6s all the best for the future.

Mrs Jones is also leaving us so that she can devote more time to other commitments. She will be sorely missed and has promised to come in next term so she can say a proper Good-bye to the school community.

Starters - We are pleased to be welcoming Ms Austin to the team in September. She will be working in EYFS to cover Miss Cranness' maternity leave and also in Y5/6 as an additional teacher with Miss Bellwood and Mr Lowery.

September Reopening - I will be sending out the Parent Guide and Risk Assessment for the full reopening of school in the middle of August which details how we will manage our 'bubbles' and staggered starts etc. We will continue to use the external entrances to classes and reduce the interaction in the corridor. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE can we urge you to minimise the equipment your child brings to school and we would prefer your child to bring a bookbag rather than a rucksack as there will not be enough space to accommodate them.

Diary Dates for next term

Back to school: 7th September, 2020

Meet the Teacher: 23rd September at 3.10pm

Grounds Day: 16th October

Parents Evenings: week beginning 19th October

INSET Day 23rd October

Half Term: 26th to 30th October