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16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### Thank you to all

I would like to say a huge thank you to all families for your support during this incredibly challenging year. I appreciate the patience and understanding the school has experienced from you all as we have worked together with you to keep things running as smoothly as possible. As we approach the final few days I would like to wish you a happy and healthy summer holiday. We look forward to seeing you again on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 8.55am.

I must also thank every member of staff for their never ending positivity and determination through the year, too. All of the effort that has been shown by all has been incredible. You have kept on going when things have been very difficult.

It is now time for us to say goodbye to 16 wonderful members of our Year 6 class. Well done and congratulations to: George, Theo, Evan, Shay, Mason, Ruben, Kiara, Owen, Luke, Isobelle, Katrina, Pola, Joe, Ryan, Rosie and Finley. It has been fantastic to see you grow over a number of years; we wish you all the best as you move on to your secondary schools.

A further goodbye and good luck to Will in Year 5 who is heading off to a new school in September.

Finally we say goodbye and thank you to Mr Shore for his great work this year teaching Year 5 and 6. And also to Mrs Atkinson, one of our lunchbreak supervisors who will also be leaving this year.

*Mike Riches, Headteacher*

### Remaining events

#### Leavers' service

This afternoon at 2pm we will be saying goodbye to those leaving us this year. Families of those children who are moving on are very welcome to join us for this special end of year event which will take place on the school field.

**Please bring something to sit on.**

#### Friends end of year treat

Thank you to Friends who have organised for an inflatable slide to be on the field on Monday of next week. Each class will have a slot in which they can enjoy one of the final days of the school year.

#### Art exhibition

Next week we will be having an art focus and all children will be taking part in a variety of art activities. On Wednesday at 2pm, families are invited to an exhibition on the school field. Children can be taken home straight from this event.



### Covid guidance

#### Monday – Wednesday next week

For the remaining three days of this term, all current guidance and restrictions will remain in place at school despite changes to national guidance. We have done so well to keep the school fully open when many others have closed and we are determined not to have to initiate any self-isolation so close to the summer holidays.

Children will remain in their two bubbles and we will continue to use our one way system. We also ask that face coverings are worn at pick up and drop off times.

#### September

We have been informed that limited guidance will be in place from September. We will no longer be required to operate a bubble system and we will not be sending home whole classes or groups of children in the event of a positive case. All self-isolation will take place through the NHS Track and Trace system. It is unlikely that masks will need to be worn on the playground as they are currently.

We will, however, continue to ask children to wash their hands frequently through the day and there will be a focus on ensuring appropriate ventilation in all areas of the school.

**If there are any further updates during the summer holidays we will put together a briefing during the final week of the holidays before the return to school.**

### Safeguarding

If you ever have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child, please contact the school office. It is essential that we work together in the best interests of all children.

During the summer holidays, we ask that you contact South Gloucestershire's Access and Response Team on 01454 866000. More information can be found on their website: <https://www.southglos.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/care-and-support-children-families/access-response-team-art/>

The school email address will be monitored regularly so please do let us know if you have concerns that we can support with.

### Reports

All reports have now been sent out. We hope you found these useful to read. Please do send back the feedback forms if you are able to do so. Any feedback is very useful to us as we continue to look for ways to improve what we do as a school.

### Wrap around care

We encourage you to start booking for Breakfast Club and After School Club now so you are ready for September. Please book by emailing the school office. Please note: we accept all childcare vouchers. We will send further information about this in September.



**Dates for your diary**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Information</b>
Year 6 leavers service	16.07.21 2.00pm	See information above
Art week	19.07.21 – 21.07.21	Come to see an exhibition on 21.07.21 – timings to be confirmed.
Last day of Term 6	21.07.21 3.15pm	Please note: this is a Wednesday
First day of Term 1	02.09.21 8.55am	
INSET day	20.09.21	
INSET day and last day of Term 2	22.10.21	

For all dates including full term dates for the next academic year please take a look at our school website:  
<https://www.ironactonprimaryschool.co.uk/news/term-dates/>

**Hawkesbury Upton 5K 25<sup>th</sup> September**

Plans for the 2021 Hawkesbury 5K are well underway and entries are filling up fast. There is a limit on entries (due to health and safety) so please do register now to avoid disappointment [www.hu5k.org](http://www.hu5k.org). It would be great to see the children using all that daily mile training!

