



Dear Parents and Carers,

So we have come to the end of the summer term, which has probably been the strangest in living memory! We are all now looking forward to September, in the hope that it will be as close to normal as possible, but as you will have seen in my last update, there's a lot to consider! We have already received some questions, most of which we have been able to answer individually, but where they apply to many we will put them in the FAQ's section on the school website.

Throughout the last 4 months I have been so fortunate to have been supported by a wonderful team here at Sebert Wood - the staff, governors, our pupils and their families. My thanks to everyone for their understanding during what has been a huge challenge and an experience we won't forget in a hurry! We are very mindful that it has been a very varied experience depending upon your own unique situation and we have all had to navigate our way through uncharted waters and do the best we possibly can. Rest assured we will be supporting all the children and their families when we return.

Finally, a thank you from all of us for your kind wishes and end of year gifts, they're very much appreciated. Have a very safe, restful and enjoyable summer.

Peter Dewhurst and everyone at Sebert Wood Primary School.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

This has been a most unusual end to their time at school for our Year 6 children. They have been affected by the COVID-19 period more than anyone, as they move to secondary school under the strangest of circumstances. They didn't get to complete their SATs and many of them (and their parents) may be jumping for joy, while others may be disappointed they didn't get to prove themselves after such hard work and preparation! Many of the usual leavers events and activities have been restricted but we tried to make it as fun as possible and on Tuesday afternoon we had a socially distanced farewell gathering on the school field. Pupils enjoyed Domino's pizza in their class bubble zones, with a special zone for the children coming in from home. The event culminated in the traditional water fight, which was great fun, if a little different! Despite the restrictions, it didn't stop the children from soaking each other and the staff and everyone was thoroughly drenched! Fortunately the weather was good so drying off didn't take too long!

I've known this group of children since Reception and they've been a great pleasure and privilege to work with. It's been wonderful to see them grow and develop into confident, caring, helpful, intelligent, amusing, hardworking and thoughtful young people! Each of them received a certificate, framed photo and leaver's hoodies, to recognize and celebrate their time here. A huge thank you to the FOSWS team and Year 6 parents who subsidised the costs and organized the hoodies, pizza and framed photos.

We hope the children enjoyed their time at Sebert Wood and have many memories to cherish. They have worked incredibly hard and we have done our very best to prepare them for what lies ahead and the challenges they may face in the future. Thank you to all the staff who have taught this year group in the past and the Year 6 team for all the hard work and support they have given. This year we seem to have a larger than usual number of parents who no longer have children at Sebert Wood and it's an end of an era for them. I would like to thank them for their support over the years and wish them all the very best for the future. Please do keep in touch and let us know how the children get on.

Everyone associated with Sebert Wood Primary School would like to wish Thomas, Annabel, Melanie, Logan, Tom, Grace, Ella B, Theo, Daisy, Rory, Max, Noah C, Nadia, Isabella, Rhys, William, Amber, Albie, Hugo, Evie GP, Ella G, Naveen, Amelie, Lauren H, Lewis, Oscar, Louise, Lucy, Eloise, Evie L, Xander, Antoni, Michal, Isaac M, Riley, Juliet, Louis, Robin, Cadi, Isaac O, Gece, Noah P, Xavier, Joel, Joshua, Liam, Zak, Carlos, George, Jack, Lily, Nickolay, Oliver, Lauren T, Maya, Edward, Ethan, Ellie and Tommy our very best wishes for the future and a very successful and rewarding time at their secondary schools. We are so very proud of them all.