



GODSTONE PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of another unusual school year, we would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to the whole school community for continuing to pull together during the Covid-19 outbreak and lockdown.

Firstly, we would like to offer a heartfelt thanks to Mr Usher for leading the school with such care and clarity during these difficult times. The wellbeing of our school community has continued to be his top priority throughout the second Covid-19 outbreak and he has needed to make important decisions based upon rapidly changing information and guidance. We have been in frequent contact with him during recent weeks and months and know how relentlessly hard he has worked to ensure that safe decisions have been made for our school community at every point in line with the Government guidance. We would also like to thank Miss Hellier, Acting Deputy Headteacher, and the rest of the Senior Leadership Team for their unfailing support and collaborative leadership during what has been a challenging year.

It goes without saying that we have only been able to keep the school open and provide continuing education for our children through the hard work and commitment from the whole staff team. Since the children returned to school in March the staff have worked tirelessly to support children both in their learning and their wellbeing during that transition. Thank you all for your hard work and commitment.

We know that this year has been challenging for families and we would like to recognise the hard work of parents and carers in helping with the continuation of the children's learning while at home. Despite facing many of their own challenges, we have heard from staff at school how parents have been able to support children's learning and I'd like to reassure you that all children, whatever their experiences have been, will continue to be helped to transition back into school in September.

As we look ahead to the summer holidays we would like to end by once again thanking you all for supporting the children at our school through the challenges of the recent months. We look forward to working together with you again next term and wish you all a safe and restful holiday.

Very best wishes,

Clare Thurman & Liam McGivern

Chair and Vice Chair of Governors



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