



Hoyland Springwood Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As the school year draws to a close and we approach the last day of this academic year at Hoyland Springwood, I would like to thank each and every one of you for both choosing us and trusting us with your child's education. Thank you for all the support that you have given to us as teachers throughout the past year, but especially the past 4 months. I would also like to thank all the children at Springwood for the warmth, determination, memories and the learning that we have shared over the year.

The children have learned so many things during their rather irregular school year not just at Springwood, but also at home. Parents – you have done an incredible job! I know a lot of you are concerned and worried about the transition back to school in September, but I ask that you continue to trust us, we will not let you down! Please remember one thing - there is no such thing as 'behind'. Looking at what your children have gained throughout these uncertain times: empathy, being at peace in their own space, patience, a better understanding of the world and how to stay safe when the world changes. These are things that could not have been taught at school, only learned through the experience of the last few months.

No one could have predicted how this year would turn out. Whilst we have had challenges maintaining academic learning at home this can be achieved through organisation and communication. However, children also learn many more equally valuable things in school, including how to be a good friend, how to resolve conflict, how to persevere, how to find their own solutions and how to always do their best. We can't always "be the best", but we can always "do our best" and I hope the children understand this and take it away with them.

I cannot find the words to express my thanks for our amazing school community - your endless hours of volunteering, supporting school, reading with and to the children, organising, donating and just doing whatever was necessary to support our students both at home and at school. I give special thanks to Friends of Springwood-our PTA, who as usual went above and beyond the call of duty to provide whatever was necessary to add to our students' already rich school experience.

To all the staff in school - you continue to amaze me every day as you strive to always do what is best for the students, parents and the community as a whole. This school community is so lucky to have a staff that is so thoughtful, caring and determined. You make a difference every day.

Goodbye and good luck to our superb Year 6 pupils who are leaving us this year. You have been a fantastic year group and excellent role models to the younger pupils within the school. You have worked so hard, put maximum effort into all your learning and kept us all entertained with your funny jokes and stories. I would like to wish you all the very best for the future, as you leave us and move to the next chapter of your education.

This year's Year 6 have been an amazing cohort of children, all throughout school. They have worked hard and achieved so much. We know that the success of every child is also a partnership with families and members of staff. So thank you to everyone involved in supporting these children. They truly are the pride of Springwood.



Finally, a message to all of our pupils. Thank you for all your hard work throughout the school year. Your strength and resilience throughout the past few months is inspiring. I am so honoured to be your headteacher and you make me proud to be at Springwood every single day. I lead this school with such joy because of you all. You keep me laughing and young at heart, I am grateful for your joy, unique and astute insights and amazing talents.

Thank You

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday

Yours sincerely

J. Hunt

Mrs Jennifer Hunt

Headteacher