



Summer term letter to
parents
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School's Out



For Summer!!!

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the summer term comes to an end today, we can reflect upon what has been a busy and challenging term. However, we have so much to celebrate and be grateful for.

I would like to especially thank the children who have worked incredibly hard over the course of the year and, no matter what assessment grades they are awarded, I would like to put on record how proud we all are of all of their hard work and dedication to improving their skills over the past year. We must remember that school life is about the whole child and not just achieving age related expectations in the SATs. It's about being a well-rounded person, who is kind and thoughtful, independent, respectful and courageous, who can problem solve and show resilience when things are difficult, all qualities which your children possess. The most important value being RESPECT, which most of our children have demonstrated throughout the year. Occasionally, children have not shown respect towards each other and adults in school, this has then led to some difficult moments in school. It is important to get on with each other in school. There are no 'Outsiders' at Teagues Bridge, everyone is equal and everyone is important. I am sure we will all return in September with respect for our staff and each other.

There is much to be proud of at Teagues Bridge. We have established a team of hard working and dedicated staff who are in it for the children and we are lucky to have such an inspiring team of teachers and teaching assistants, who

work tirelessly to ensure your children succeed and are happy at school. They care about your children and want to support them and help them grow.

We have all been working hard this term to make the improvements recommended by Ofsted. We have new medium term plans for the foundation subjects, identifying key knowledge and prior knowledge. We have looked at assessment for learning across all subjects to ensure children know more and remember more and this will be embedded in the autumn term 2024. Our outcomes for children are already improving, this year we saw our highest SATS results in reading 81%, last year it was 69%, this was a great improvement on last year. Also our writing results were 71% at age related expectations which was an enormous improvement on last year which was only 46%. We now need to improve on this further and raise standards in maths. We are also in the process of recruiting new governors and have successfully appointed a new co-opted governor who is a teacher in another authority. We are looking forward to the Autumn term to build on our success and continue to improve.

Crossbar sports coaches have been working in school and this has added great value to the children's sporting experiences and contributed to the mental health agenda and ensuring they are fit and healthy. All the children have enjoyed their PE sessions over the year.

This time of year brings happiness and sadness. Happiness because we are on holiday and hoping for fine weather and relaxation. Sadness because we say goodbye to our year 6

children, who are moving on with their educational journey. We wish them happiness and urge them to follow their dreams and embrace the opportunities ahead of them. Make sure your mark in the world is truly inspirational. Always surround yourself with people that will lift you higher and not bring you down. There have been highs and lows during the year but we will never forget them. I wish them all the very best for the future, be the best you can be.

Please see below some photographs from the year 6 leavers assembly and their day out at Coomer Woods. The year 6 children were amazing during their leavers assembly. Behaviour was outstanding. We were all really proud of them ~ Thank-you Year 6.

Leavers Assembly 2024

Congratulations to all our Year 6 leavers for their fantastic leavers' assembly this week! We wish you all the best of luck as you move on to secondary school. Here are some highlights from the assembly!



Goodbye
&
Good Luck

Year 6 leavers trip

All of our year 6 children travelled to Comer Woods on Thursday, part of the national trust Dudmaston Estate. We celebrated our achievements from the year and had lots of fun in the sun. We all had a fantastic day and loved being out in nature. Here are some of our experiences



Friends together



Climbing



Exploring nature



Den building



Fun times

As we loose a year group, we gain a year group. We welcome the new reception intake, they have been to visit Teagues Bridge and have made a very positive start to their learning journey. I look forward to working with you in September.

We say goodbye to Miss Jones and Mr Holloway and wish them all the very best in their new chosen careers. We will miss them both greatly and we thank them for the committment and support they have shown and the hard work that they have continued throughout their short time with us. All the very best and we wish you both lots of happiness.

I end this letter with thanks and gratitude to you all; children, staff, governors and parents. I am so very proud to be the headteacher and feel privileged to work with so many wonderful children and fabulous people. I wish you all a very happy, relaxing and sunny (fingers crossed) summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all back in September, safe and well. We have a PD day the 2nd September and children are back in school 3rd September 2024. The new reception intake are here for half a day the first week.

Remember being happy never goes out of style. To the children, I ask you to be respectful to your parents and kind and considerate to each other. To year 6 children, Remember, your life is your message to the world, make it inspiring.

I wish you all a happy summer break, that is filled with lots of sunshine and happiness for you all.

Mrs S. Abdulla (Headteacher)

