



The Federation of West Leigh Infant School and Backwell C of E Junior School



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End of Year Letter

Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of another year, this is a lovely opportunity to reflect upon the huge number of positives that we've seen and experienced at each of our schools this year.

As always, the children have been fantastic! Their positivity and engagement towards their learning has been infectious and they have embraced every opportunity afforded to them this year. Enrichment remains at the centre of what we offer and will continue to be a core focus to ensure learning opportunities are fun, varied and interactive. It was lovely to have all staff's hard work recognised by our very positive West Leigh Ofsted report back in October.

Staffing

On that note, I must thank the wonderful staff at both schools for making these events and many more happen. Their hard work, care and creativity ensure that your children enjoy a hugely positive school experience in increasingly challenging financial times.

Thank you to Miss Jess Yandall who moves on to a new teaching role in Bristol. Mrs Rachel Sudol and Ms Steph Capern also leave their roles as lunchtime supervisors at West Leigh Infants – thank you both for your care and dedication.

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Laura Carpenter to teach alongside Mrs Atkins in Hedgehogs at West Leigh, Mrs Eloise Sinclair to Year 6 at BJS and Mrs Cathy Bowes to teach alongside Mrs Curtis in what will be 4BC from September. We will also be welcoming Mrs Rebecca Walton, Emily Rushton, Carole Griffiths and Rosie Venner as additional support staff across our two sites from September.

To our departing Year 6 children, thank you! You have been such an enthusiastic year group and should feel proud of your many achievements over your time at both our schools. You're more than ready for the next stage in your journey at secondary school.

As always, our PTAs do such important and valuable fundraising work. Allowing us to supplement and improve our resourcing, specifically with new laptops at each school this year. Thank you all!

It is also important to recognise the significant role that our Governors, with Justine Stafford as chair, play in the development of our Federation. Their commitment, challenge and support is hugely appreciated by myself and the wider staff team and we thank them for all that they do.

I wish you all a lovely summer break and hope the sun shines wherever you may be spending the holiday period. Don't forget that term starts for the pupils on **Wednesday 6th September** after our INSET staff training days on the 4th and 5th. We look forward to seeing you then, beginning with our open afternoons in early September where you will have the chance to meet your child's new class teacher and find out about the curriculum offer in their class which is also on our website.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher