

NEWSLETTER



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Well, I never thought I would be writing an end of the year newsletter in these circumstances. The last 4 months have been a strange and challenging time for us all. Although this is the case, there have been some positives that should not be ignored. Many people within the community have pulled together, we have received some lovely messages of support which we hugely appreciate. It has also been wonderful to see how our children have persevered and overcome difficulties to keep going and learning in a range of ways. Not only this, but we have found new ways to learn, communicate and work which we will take forward with us into the future.

We would like to take this moment to wish you all a safe and happy summer holiday, taking time to spend quality time with one another with less of a focus on padlets and tapestry.

New Staff

We will be welcoming Miss Moylan (Class 3) and Miss Glover (Class 4) to our team in September. We have already starting working with our new teachers who are very excited to join us, and we are looking forward for you and your children to meet them properly in September.

Year 6s

We said 'good bye' to our Year 6s this week. They have been fantastic over the last few weeks, taking all the changes in their stride and having a very positive outlook - even though they missed out on some of the traditional end of year tasks. We wish them all the best for the future.



Mrs Moore

Sadly we have to say good bye to Mrs Moore, it has been a pleasure having Mrs Moore with us this year and we wish her all the best and all the luck for the future.

Message from our Bishop Visitors

What a strange year this has been since March 2020.

With the Coronavirus Pandemic and everything having to be locked down for three months, it seems ages since I was at school taking an assembly or working with the children in the school gardens on a Friday afternoon.

We have all missed important events in the church calendar such as Lent, Easter, Ascension Day, Pentecost, and Trinity Sunday – all of which we normally celebrate in one way or another at school. I hope that you did not miss out from having any Easter Eggs though!

I have heard that you have all been busy working at home and those who have returned to school recently have been very good keeping to the new regulations and doing exactly what your teachers have been telling you to do.

Gillian has missed coming into help with assisted reading but like myself hopes that in September, when school starts again, we will be back with you to catch up from where we left off over three months ago!

For those in Class 4, who are leaving to go to other schools, we wish you all the very best and it has been our pleasure to have worked with you.

Have a great summer holiday, children and staff, and be good!

Anthony and Gillian Andrews

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Thank you

We always have many 'thank yous' at the end of the year, but this year it feels they should be even bigger.

Firstly a huge thank you must go to our children. It has been an unusual, frustrating and scary time for them and I think they have dealt with this remarkably well. The children who have returned to school have done so with a fantastic attitude. Those who have remained at home, although may have found things difficult, have carried on learning in a range of ways which has been lovely to hear about.

Secondly, we thank you - our parents - who have done a fantastic job keeping your children safe and motivated. Again, we realise it may not have been the easiest tasks, but your efforts are greatly appreciated by all, and will be remembered by your children for years to come.

Finally I would like to thank all the staff at Edenham. Teachers have worked tirelessly to find a range of tasks and activities to set, support children and parents throughout the day and remain positive for those children who we have been luckily enough to have welcomed back. Despite having their own families and the same worries as everyone else they have done an amazing job.

Teaching assistants have also worked wonderfully in a range of creative way to support teachers and children, again a huge thank you must go to them.

As well as teaching staff, our office team have gone above and beyond ensuring communication lines are kept open, supporting the logistics of the school and ensuring teachers have everything they need to keep producing online learning each day.

Last but by no means least our caretaker. Over the last 4 months as well as supporting another local school, he has ensured Edenham has continually remained safe and well stocked so that we were able to open at any point. Not only this, but he has worked tirelessly to improve the appearance of the school inside and out.

