

Westacre Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of what can only be described as a very difficult school year for everyone, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you whole-heartedly for your continued support.

Despite the sadness and disruption, your amazing children have continued to smile and enjoy being in school. The children in many ways have still been able to demonstrate our school values of Friendship, Kindness, Honesty, Teamwork, Perseverance and Respect.

Resilience is not one of our values but I have to mention it. Your children have never complained about the control measures in school and have managed to continue learning and growing with their friends. Without knowing, they have made such a difference to the people around them during the last 18 months. For me personally, it has been the children that have kept me going, despite some of the toughest days in my career. I really hope they know how much they have helped!

On a more sombre note, I have to inform you that our longstanding Deputy Headteacher has decided to leave at the end of this academic year for personal reasons. Mrs C Smith has worked at Westacre Infant School for an amazing 24 years and we wish her all the best for the future. Mrs Guest will be joining us in September to teach in Year 1 with Mrs L Smith and support me as Deputy Headteacher during the Autumn Term.

Thank you to everyone that has taken the time to complete and return a questionnaire. With your views, we will continue to provide your children with the best experience possible. My intention at the beginning of the Pandemic was to make sure we gave your children the distraction they needed, give them things to smile about and to feel part of something special. On reflection, I really believe we have managed that!

I have met with Year 2 today and spoken to them about the experience they have had at Westacre Infants. Having known them since Reception, it has been my absolute pleasure to be their Headteacher and watch them grow collectively and as individuals. I have asked the children to continue doing following things as much as possible.

1. Work hard and try your best in everything that you do.
2. Have fun, laugh lots and every now and then find time to be really silly.
3. Be kind to yourself and as many people as you can because it is free! You can make a real difference in the world and to the people around you.

It has been a pleasure Year 2 and it was easily the best water fight I have ever had!

Stay safe, have a wonderful Summer and see you all in September.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A Edmunds
Headteacher