

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

## **Dear Parents/Carers**

As we approach the end of our summer term in school, I am minded to reflect on our St Andrew's family and give thanks for our place in God's kingdom and for our resilience in overcoming the huge barriers we have faced over the past two years.

With the support of yourselves as parents, our governors, staff and Trust colleagues we have been able to provide our children with a nurturing environment and enriched curriculum to support their education and wellbeing through troubled times. They have thrived, they have surprised us and they have made us so proud. To now see our school able to open up once more and flourish is both inspiring and emotional. Thank you.

The children break up for their summer holiday tonight, returning to school on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022. May I also remind parents that school will be closed on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October for the annual Watergrove Trust training day.

Please can I ask for your continued support regards uniform for the new academic year including black school shoes, not trainers. Children from Year 2 upwards are asked to wear a white shirt and tie with white polo shirts for Reception and Year 1 and yellow polo shirts for Nursery. We are continuing with our PE days where children come to school already dressed for PE and wearing a hoodie. This should be either the St Andrew's hoodie or a plain navy alternative. We ask that no PE kits have other writing or slogans on. Only St Andrew's book bags are allowed in school.

The 'Meet your child's new teacher' event will go ahead on the first day of term, Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 3.45 pm which gives you the opportunity of meeting the class teacher and visiting the classroom.

A final word for our Year 6 children who leave us today to begin their secondary education journey. You have been amazing Year 6, your contribution to our school has been immense and I hope you carry something of St Andrew's in your hearts as you move onwards. We wish you the very best of everything.

It just remains for me to wish you all a safe and relaxing summer. As ever, it is an enormous privilege to lead and serve our wonderful team.

With warmest wishes

Mrs J A Rainford (Head Teacher)

Prayer

Dear God

Thank you that you never change
And that we can trust in you
Thank you that you are with us in the
changes life may bring
Please help us through them, knowing that
you love us.

Amen

