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Dear Parents/Carers,

WHAT A YEAR! - As we draw to the end of another year we celebrate all the wonderful things that have happened. There have been lots of wonderful events and opportunities for the children to enjoy, such as residentials, trips, visitors, performances and sporting events. The children have also embraced their learning with determination and have been really motivated within the curriculum. All of these things have ensured that the children have had a fantastic year within our school, and this has been affirmed by the positive comments that the school has received from you, the parents. We thank you for your continued support and the way that you work with us.

Standardised assessments - As you are aware some of the children have taken part in standardised tests this year. It has been a difficult time for schools within the new testing framework because of the changes that have been introduced and the very late guidance that has been given to schools. We thank you for your understanding through these uncertain times. As a school we are committed to treating every child as individuals and teaching in ways to meet their needs, which we have continued to do this year. I am pleased to inform you that because of the dedication of staff and the determination and hard work of the pupils we have achieved very high standards this year - and we are extremely proud!

This year's results:

Early Years (end of Reception) - 75% achieved a Good Level of Development (National figure for 2015 was 66%)

Year 1 Phonic Screen - 88% met the standard (National figure for 2015 was 77%)

Key Stage 1 SATs (Year 2) -

Reading - 88% met the expected standard

Writing - 59% met the expected standard

Maths - 65% met the expected standard

(There are no comparisons to the 2015 results because of the different assessment regime and 2016 results are not yet available)

Key Stage 2 SATs (Year 6) -

Reading - 87% met the expected standard (compared to 2016 National results at 66%)

SPAG - 93% met the expected standard (compared to 2016 National results at 72%)

Maths - 93% met the expected standard (compared to 2016 National results at 70%)

Writing - 73% met the expected standard (compared to 2016 National results at 74%)

Reading, Writing and Maths combined - 73% met the expected standard (compared to 2016 National results at 53%)

Well done everyone!

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Photographs of Events - Please take a look at the abundance of photographs that have been uploaded to the website. You will see in the photographs and video clips the fun the children have had at the different events and trips they have attended this term, such as the Mash Up Festival, Leavers' Service at Salisbury, Dartmoor and Hooke Court...

Sports Week - Photographs from the week of competitive sports will be available on the website shortly, including the Rounders Tournament and KS2 Sports Challenge. It was great to see all the children having so much fun at Sports Day on Wednesday. One parent commented 'They were all busy and having fun, it was lovely to see'. Thank you to everyone who helped with the event and to Central Stores and the Friends of the School who supplied much appreciated refreshments!

Leavers' Service - Although it is lovely to celebrate a fantastic year, we are also sad to be saying goodbye to our Year 6 Leavers. We hope you will be able to join us in the Church on Wednesday 20th July at 1.15pm for our special Leavers' Service.

Goodbye - We are also sad to be saying goodbye to two members of staff at the end of term. Miss Hart, who has taught in Boats class on Thursdays this year and has also taught in other classes during her seven years at the school, is leaving us for new challenges. Mrs Smith, our TA in Class 3, is also leaving to take up a new post in another school. Both members of staff are highly valued and will be greatly missed. However, I am sure that you will join me in wishing them the very best of luck for the future.

Hot School Meals - If you require the school to order meals for September for your child, please make sure that the order forms are returned to Mrs Barrett before the end of term.

Digital Parenting - This informative magazine has been sent home with the children today. It is full of useful articles about technology, gaming and internet safety.

End of Term - School ends on Wednesday 20th July at 2.30pm.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Claire Staple
Headteacher