



Holly Hill
Church School

Life in all its Fullness

July 2023

Dear Holly Hill Families

Another year is drawing to a close - hasn't it been fantastic! We are now in sight of the summer break and school is busy preparing for all our usual summer traditions such as, Sports Day, Leavers Assemblies, Open Evening and end of year trips. This year has had many great moments and we are glad you have been able to share them with us. We will continue to open our door wide next year and cannot wait to see many of you in our worships, workshops and celebrations.

I am pleased to report that the hard work that the children put into their learning has paid off and we have had excellent results! Year Two children worked hard to meet their end of Key Stage targets. Reception and Year One worked really hard towards their early learning goals and phonics check. The results for all of our outcomes will be on our school website in September.

We have worked hard this year to meet our school priorities such as; embed our new phonics scheme 'SuperSonic Phonic Friends' across the whole school and to improve our attendance. In the new school year, we will continue to build on this. It was also the year that OFSTED visited us and recognised the important work we do at Holly Hill. They told us what we already know – that we are a good school. All of us at Holly Hill will continue to strive to make our school the very best it can be.

Sadly, as the end of year approaches, we have to say goodbye to Year Two. We would like to wish all our Year Two children and families all the best wishes for their next adventure. I know that all the children and families will carry a piece of Holly Hill in their hearts as they move on and I would like you to know you will always be a part of our family.

Continuing the farewells, I have to tell you about some staffing changes. Mrs Pash, who works in Year One and Mr Edmunds, our sports coach, are leaving us at the end of the year. All of us at Holly Hill would like to wish them all the best for the new roles in their new schools.

Mrs Cox will not be returning to Holly Hill in the new school year. She has decided to take some time for herself and try teaching in some different schools. I am sure you will join me in wishing her well for the future.

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With the goodbyes there are always the welcomes and I am delighted to tell you that Miss Carey, who has been working in Nursery and Miss McIlwain, who has been working in Blossom class have been successfully appointed as class teachers. Luckily, they have been able to start already and you may have seen them in school. Miss Lewis will also be joining us in Year One for the year. I know you will help me in making them feel very welcome to the Holly Hill family.

In other staff related news I am pleased to announce that Miss Parsonage is having a baby! This means that she will be going on maternity leave at some point in the Autumn term, but do not fear as she will be back towards the end of the school year. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her on such happy news.

Our academy journey has been long and full of hurdles. We are hoping that the process will be completed in Autumn Term. Holly Hill will remain committed to our vision and I will write to you about this, when I have more information to share.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to you and all the staff for making Holly Hill the special school it is. It is an honour to work with you all and I wish you a blessed summer break, full of relaxing and wonderful times.

School breaks up on Monday 24th July (Non-uniform day)

We will return on Wednesday 6th September.

Your sincerely,

Mr Mark Carr
Head of School

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