

Hello to our year 6 children, parents and carers,

The end of the summer term is fast approaching and I can't believe it is very nearly time to say goodbye to a very special group of children. They have worked so hard during the year and finished the last term with a calm, happy and mature acceptance of the very different circumstances. It is to their credit how easily they have adapted to the changes of classes and routines and shows how they will easily adapt to their new and different school in September.

We have not been able to do all the things we would have loved to have done with the children in the last term but, after reading their entries for their leavers book, I am confident that your children will be leaving Driffield Junior School with a wealth of memories and experiences. We were so lucky to be able to enjoy the residential trip to Dobroyd Castle and their memories show how much they have treasured all the trips, visitors and experiences we have had together.

Our traditional leavers' assembly is a very special time when parents, teachers and children celebrate their achievements together; unfortunately this is not possible this year as we are not even able to bring the children together let alone their families. However, we are going to attempt a virtual version on Thursday 16th July which will be available to be viewed by children and parents at home on our website later on the same day. This will consist of a number of films to watch, including the year 6 leavers photos and the traditional year 6 awards.

In addition, as we can't hold our traditional leavers disco, we are going to have a 'fun day' in school on the last day (Thursday 16th July). We are inviting the children who are already attending school to come in their party clothes and take part in party games during the day. Mrs Berriman, our wonderful school cook, will be providing them with a tasty treat and we aim to make it a special and memorable day. Children still need to have a hot or packed lunch. We are so sorry that we can't have ALL the year 6s together and understand that they will be disappointed not to be in school for the very last day, but we will certainly be thinking about them.

Driffield School staff have suggested a number of transition activities that children can complete at home and at school (please see their website if unsure). These are not essential, but any work that has been completed should be kept together and taken with them when they start in September. Next week, children attending school will be bringing home their books and any transition work they have completed with us. Driffield School staff have asked that the children take their best piece of English and maths work and add this to their transition pack. Children can either choose one piece from these books or take their entire book into school.

If your child has not returned to school, their books and other items such as pencil cases can be collected from our school office from Wednesday 15th July. We ask that any school reading books also be returned at this time. Our shelves have become very depleted and we would be very grateful for books to be returned ready for September. There will also be an additional activity pack available from Driffield School to collect. We will distribute these to the children that are in school.

Thank you for all the support you have given your child and the school during their time at Driffield Juniors. They have been a wonderful group of children who should be very proud of their achievements, particularly in these trying times. We wish them all the best and know they will make us, and you, very very proud in the future. Good luck year 6 - make your future the best one for you.

Mrs Mudd
Year 6 leader