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Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are only a couple of days away from the end of another busy and very successful academic year. This week we say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 pupils, the second cohort to move to high school directly from Himbleton. They have all been wonderful advocates for our school and although we will miss them, they are ready for the next exciting part of their journey. We wish you all, the 'Class of '24', the very best of luck in the future and please stay in touch. We would love to hear about your new adventures! We are also saying farewell to a small number of our Year 4 pupils who will be moving onto Middle Schools, we wish you the very best of luck; work hard and have fun!

### **World of Work**

The school has been filled with visitors this week who have been talking to the children about the amazing World of Work. Although it is at least 6 years before our oldest pupils could be working, it is never too early to think about jobs and careers. The children have been introduced to the medical profession, veterinary care, project management and the media to name but a few. The pupils would like to say a massive thank you to all the visitors who gave their time freely over the week; it has been very much appreciated.

### **Boundless**

Our Year 3 and 4 pupils spent three days on the side of the Malvern Hills taking part in a wide range of activities. They enjoyed climbing, archery, low ropes, orienteering and the zip wire before returning on Friday, tired and with bags of washing. A massive thank you to Mrs Hedges, Mrs Griffiths, Mrs Ford and Miss Coleman for taking the children on this wonderful adventure and for putting up with sleepless nights!

### **Cookie**

Thank you to those of you who have offered to have the school hamster, Cookie, over the summer holidays. We will be in touch to confirm his 'boarding' arrangements very soon. He is currently 'Home Alone' from the 25<sup>th</sup> August until the beginning of term; any offers?

### **Wrap Around**

Please make sure that Wrap Around booking forms for the Autumn Term are returned to Mrs Stewart by Wednesday of this week.

### **School Money**

Please ensure that all School Money Accounts are settled by the end of next week.

**Violin Lessons**

Those parents who have received a letter about violin lessons next term need to respond by the end of the week to ensure that school books the correct number of sessions from Severn Arts. There has been a slight increase in the cost of lessons, but we have tried to keep this to a minimum.

**Clubs**

Information regarding after-school clubs will be sent to parents at the beginning of next term.

**Arrangements for the Last Week of Term**

Our Key Stage 2 performance will take place at 2pm and 6pm on Wednesday. Tickets are in the process of being allocated to those parents who have applied for them.

Our Leavers' Service in the church takes place at 2pm on Thursday. All of the children in Key 2 will be joining our Leavers to celebrate their time at Himbleton. Pupils need to be collected from the church after the service. Those pupils booked into Wrap Around will be escorted back to school by staff.

The Leavers' Fish and Chip supper will take place at 6pm on Thursday evening followed by a Rounders Match (weather permitting). The deadline for orders has now passed.

**Finally**

I would like to say a personal 'Thank you' to all the pupils, staff, parents and governors who have made my short time at Himbleton such a memorable experience. You have a lovely school and a very supportive community, I am sure that under the leadership of Mrs Kirsty Shaw, the school will continue to go from strength to strength. I wish you all the best of luck for the future.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer break. School reopens on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

With kind regards,

Nick Cale