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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 6 children,

### Year 6 Leavers' Event

I hope this letter finds you and your families well. We have thought long and hard about holding a leaving event for our Year 6 children and until very recently, we thought we would only be able to hold such an event in the autumn term. However, as restrictions continue to ease we feel that we are now in a position to do this before we break up. Our pupils have coped so well during these times and continue to amaze me with their acceptance of change and difficulty but leaving primary school is a huge deal and we feel it is so important that our Year 6 children and parents have the opportunity to say their farewells before embarking on their next adventure.

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the surveys about this event. It is always difficult to find a date and time that will suit everyone but there was one option which had a clear majority and could be attended by 85% of parents. Therefore the Year 6 Leavers' Event will take place on: **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July 1.30pm -3pm**. Please contact school if you cannot attend but would like your child to be there so we can look at possible solutions.

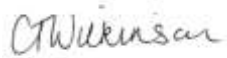
In order for this event to take place, we have a very thorough risk assessment and strict guidelines which we must adhere to at all times to ensure this event can go ahead and is safe for all. We do, however, want the event to be fun for everyone and Mr Glenton is currently planning a whole host of activities to keep us entertained but we will need to ensure the following to make the event a success:

- Social distancing must be adhered to at all times! (Parents are responsible for their own children.)
- Each Year 6 child can be accompanied by up to 2 adults.
- No siblings are allowed. (We are really sorry about this but we need to limit numbers and ensure guidelines set out by the DfE are being adhered to whilst being fair to everyone.)
- The event will take place outside on the field as this event cannot safely take place inside the school building. We can't always rely on the British weather so bring a brolly!
- Picnic food to be brought to the event- no sharing between families.
- Parents to bring chairs/blankets to the event and place them on a coloured spot which will be spaced out according to social distancing guidelines.
- Families to enter via the top playground gate at 1.30pm. If you arrive before the gates open, please queue 2m apart.
- If possible, it would be lovely to see the children wearing their Leavers' hoodies- no signing of shirts etc. will be allowed in the school grounds.

- Mr Glenton, Mrs Pears and myself will be joining in the fun but we will need to keep staffing to a minimum in line with guidelines.
- **Please bring along any school reading books and football kits that need to be returned and put them in the box provided.**

As with everything surrounding COVID-19, we are trying to do the best we can in uncertain times. None of this is ideal and we would much rather be in school as normal, hosting leaving assemblies and performances. However, this is not a normal year and we must adapt to these circumstances. We will do our very best to make this a memorable yet safe event for you and your children. Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July will also be my last day at Edmondsley and I could not have wished for a friendlier, happier group of Year 6 children to share my time at Edmondsley with!

Kind regards,



Chloe Wilkinson  
Acting Headteacher