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Headteacher's weekly newsletter (N°45)
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- Before I starting writing this final newsletter of the year, I read last year's. I was optimistic about the start of the new academic year the following September (2020). Um… I think we all know what a change this year has been. At least I'm consistent and will remain optimistic about this September 2021. However, we also know that things change quickly and be assured that the school always follows the advice from Government and the Local Authority. I am planning for a more normal year with a return to all the clubs, activities, visits, music, sports/fixtures, performances and residential visits that we all miss.
- I hope that the recently sent home reports have provided you with useful information. There will be a return to more scrutiny about attendance from September 2021 and I will be contacting parents and carers about children that have attendance below an acceptable level when the impact of lockdown has been taken into account.
- Yr6 had a very enjoyable 'leavers day' yesterday. A day of activities including go-karts, radio controlled cars, nerf wars, bouncy castle and archery. There was a visit from a well know pizza company and an ice cream van. The day ended with an outside disco. All the staff and Governors send their very best wishes to the children. I know that the teaching staff have done their very best to prepare for the next stage in their education. We will miss all of them.
- There is a large amount of lost property that the children have not re-claimed despite our best efforts. This includes expensive coats. We always donate our lost property to the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. However, the school is open next Monday and Tuesday morning and you can come into reception if there is an item you particularly want to reclaim.
- Please see the letter from Clive Norris, Chair of Governors, sent with this newsletter.
- **School re-opens on Monday 6th September 2021 for Yr3 only. The rest of the school returns on Tuesday 7th September 2021**.
- Special congratulations to Blessing Tubuoh. She received the June Burford Award for Citizenship. In short, Blessing is everything we hope children leaving Guillemont aspire to be; she is a credit to the school.

  Please encourage your children to read throughout the holiday and remember the Summer Reading Challenge I mentioned previously: https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/kids-zone.
- Congratulations to the following children. They have received the Headteacher's Award for Outstanding Progress. Certificates were presented from their class teacher today via a virtual assembly. Congratulations to:

○ May Harris	English	AL
○ Alfie Tyson	Maths and Reading	AL
○ Ella Field	Reading	CW
○ Ianis Gheorghe	Reading, Writing and Maths	CW
○ Logan Bond	Reading, Writing and Maths	DB
○ Isabel Monteiro	Maths	DB
○ Hugo Banks	Reading	EW
○ Lucy Browne	Reading	EW
○ Mikey Bertoux	Maths	KL

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Lilia Sayer	Maths	KL
Lauren Hapsa	Overall	KT
Calvin Muzira	Overall	KT
Summer-Rose Harrison	Maths	LA
Freya Hawkes	Maths	LA
Teddy Clarke	All subjects	LM
Mia Downing	Reading	LM
Crystal Vincent	Overall	MC
Noah Widdas	Overall	MC
Jahdai Davis	Overall	MK
Qurat Hyder	Writing	MK
Felicity Jackson	Overall	MP
Lachlan Rae	Overall	MP
Austin Dyer	Reading and Writing	SD
Peyton Morrison	Maths	SD
Amelia Downing	Maths	ZI
Alfie Stocker	Maths	ZI

- Congratulations to the following children that received their Golden Pen and certificate today via a virtual assembly. Congratulations to:
  - Ella Pointon SD
  - Toby Pippard SD
  - Peyton Morrison SD
  - Lillie-Ann Ward SD
  - Summer Hills SD
  - Amelia Cooles MC
  - Bethan Miller MC
  - Crystal Vincent MC
  - Poppy Clarke MC
  - Summer-Rose Harrison LA
  - Daisy Hall LA
  - Daisy Howells LA
  - Sophie Whitlock LA
- We wish all our children, friends and families a very enjoyable summer break and we look forward to seeing the new Yr3 children on Monday 6th September 2021 and Yr4, Yr5 and Yr6 on Tuesday 7th September 2021. Please note that Thursday 2nd September and Friday 3rd September 2021 are staff Inset days.

Thank you for all your support over the year and I hope you enjoy the summer break with your family and friends. I will send a pre-start of term newsletter to you on Friday 3rd September 2021.

Best wishes

Denis Foster (Headteacher)