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Willow Class children and parents,

This is the last letter from me this year! It has been a different year with learning at school and at home. I would like to say a big ‘thank you’ to you all for your hard work and determination to keep learning going wherever you have been.

It is the first time in my teaching career that I haven’t been able to say a proper ‘goodbye’ to my Year 2. So, to all year 2 I would like to say ‘well done‘ for the last 2 years, for your hard work and perseverance and for making me smile on so many occasions! You should be proud of the progress you have made. Look forward to new challenges in September and use the growth mindset language you have used so successfully in the past to help you. Miss Cartright will be posting a letter on the school website for Year 2 explaining a little about what a day in Rowan Class will be like. If you have any questions or queries email her on her class email before the end of term and she will get back to you.

To all the Year 1 children I look forward to seeing you all in September. The classroom may look a little different. Each of you will have a place to sit at a table instead of on the carpet and you will know where that place is because you will have a name card which matches your peg label. When you come in you will need to wash your hands and Miss Smith and I will be there to help you. We will wash our hands lots of times a day, just as we were doing before we stopped school. Snack times will stay the same and lunchtimes will be packed lunches brought from home or ordered from school. Each of you will have your own pack of crayons, pencils and rubbers. Other equipment, such as 100 squares will be in your drawers. At playtime Willow Class will have their own area to play in and their own equipment.

Our learning will be similar to what you have done before. We will do Maths, English and phonics in the morning and topic in the afternoon. Next term our topic is called ‘Field to Plate’ so we will be finding fruit and vegetables in the school garden and cooking with them. We will also be doing some mindfulness activities to help us settle back into school.

There will be lots of fun and exciting things to look forward to and Miss Smith and I are looking forward to sharing them all with you.

If you have any questions or queries please contact me on the Willow Class email as soon as you can so that I can answer them before the end of term.

Next week there are some activities for you to see on the website. Year 2 have powerpoint challenges for English and Maths and Year 1 have a summer activity booklet to do.

I know lots of you also enjoy being outside so there is also a list of outdoor activities to do.

Whatever you do enjoy a rest.

*‘Rest is not idleness and to lie sometimes on the grass under the trees on a summer’s day, listening to the murmur of the water or watching the clouds float across the skies is by no means a waste of time.’*

John Lubbock

***‘The Use of Life.’***

Have a good summer.

Mrs Tebbutt and Miss Smith