

DATES TO RE-
MEMBER

6th September 2016–
First day back at
school!

Good luck Year 6!

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Farewell to Year 6



We have reached the end of a truly incredible term! I cannot believe how quickly this year has passed. Our Year 6 presented the most incredible assembly this morning and there was truly not a dry eye in the room!

Working in a school, I can say that it is the most amazing thing seeing our children grow. We compared our leavers to what they were like when they first joined us and the difference, in so many ways, makes me immensely proud. The children decided to present a trophy to individuals who had made a difference to them and comments were clearly heart felt. We were even treated a flash mob song by the Year 6 parents, something our students will never forget.

Over this term we have had so many events that have showcased our students behaviours and abilities. It would be remiss of me not to mention the Year 5/6 production, 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits', which was one of the greatest shows I have ever seen. Children performed solos, audiences were in hysterics and the three performances only caused one injury... well done to Oliver for recovering so quickly after his dramatic fall!

As a Roman leader, I must congratulate the Vikings on a very convincing Sports Day win. The feedback regarding the new format has been overwhelmingly positive and I thank those individuals for taking the time to let us know what they thought. A huge well done must go to Miss Kerridge and Mr Ibbs who made the day possible. I know the pupil's Haka has now been showcased in Mascalls Academy, the Village fete and to all who attended. I hope it left a lasting impression to all!

It has been so nice to see our Library full of young readers this term. Miss Morris and her band of helpers have done an incredible job in making the space warm, friendly and welcoming to all pupils. Amazingly we had over 50% of school taking out a book in the first week and we look to see this number continue to improve. I also received so many positive responses about this project and would again like to praise Miss Morris for being so committed to improve the reading habits of the next generation!

It is not only our eldest children who have been in the limelight! It was wonderful to see our Year R class (Edison Class) showcase their journey in a recent assembly. The children spoke so confidently, using their Literacy, Drama and Art skills to Wow the audience with their performance of the 'The Whale and the snail'.

I recently shared the excellent KS2 results with our families. I am also proud to now say that our KS1 classes have faired just as well. In Year 2 the following achieved the expected standard- 86% Reading, 82% Writing and 89% Numeracy. In Year 1 I am also pleased to share that 79% met the phonics standard. I would like to say a massive well done to all the staff who work with these children as well as the pupils themselves who are always a credit to our school.

As most of you will be aware, Mrs S Campbell (Year 5) and Mrs Hatch are both retiring at the end of this year. They had a surprise party yesterday and tears, alongside moving speeches, were made in the assembly today. With over 45 years of 'Capel service' between them, I know that they will be greatly missed by so many. Together they have bought the school an outside clock to ensure that all children remember from time to time...

Along a similar vein, I am pleased to announce that we have recruited two TAs to work in both Year 5 and Year 4 next year. Mrs Bunting will be our new Year 5 TA, whereas Mrs Lee will be working with our Year 4 class. Both of these individuals hugely impressed Mrs Farr and I during interviews. I am confident they will fit right into the Capel team and waste no time in supporting our learners!

Once again, I wish our Year 6 all the very best in their next school. I know that they will achieve whatever they want, as long as they keep moving forward, remember their achievements at Capel and never give up. I hope you all have a lovely summer and I look forward to welcoming you all back in September!