

GIG MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Together we care, together we succeed



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I do hope you are all safe and well.

It is July, and in school we would usually be hosting the Summer Fayre, be looking forward to the summer show next week and many more activities for our end of school year. Instead we continue in these challenging times, and a different end of year for 2020. Sadly this is without the normal planned events that would be taking place. We really are missing all the children that are not able to be in school and we cannot wait to see you all again.

We are currently finalising arrangements for the end of the year as well as looking ahead to September.

Next week you will receive your child's annual report. Either this will be by email (if you have provided an email address), or a copy will be handed to children currently in school. Reports have been written based on your child's time in school from September 2019 until March 2020 so please do bear this in mind when reading it, attendance figures are for within the same time period too. The report format has slightly changed this year as we are not able to complete children's reports as they are not with us in school. If you have any questions regarding your child's report, or wish to discuss your child's report further, please contact the school office.

We have looked carefully into the logistics of having all children in Years R to 5 in school for transition, but due to Government guidelines and the school's risk assessment, this is sadly not possible.

I know many of you are now thinking about your child's return in September and what this will look like. We received some guidance yesterday, and are expecting further guidance about the government's expectations and what primary schools across the country will look like for the next academic year.

We are currently planning for transition- moving all children into their next school year; and whilst we had wanted the children to be able to spend some time at the beginning of next year with their current teacher, and then handover to their new teacher a little later in September; the new government guidance issued this week, does not now allow for this to happen. As soon as possible we will let you know what the new September arrangements will be. You will notice that next week on our home-learning planning there is a transition activity for everyone to take part in.

Thinking of you all

Kind regards,
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