

Dear Parents,

I cannot quite believe that I am writing the final newsletter of the year and the final newsletter for our Year 6's - Class of 2021.

And, what a class they are!

Firstly, I would like to say thank you to each and every one of you for being such an amazing set of parents to work with. Although Lockdown Learning was tough for everyone, I really enjoyed communicating with you all regularly and sharing your ups and downs, still feeling part of the children's daily lives. Home-

School partnerships are invaluable in giving the children the most stable and rewarding experiences and I appreciate all that you have done to help me educate your children.

When I first started at Lea Endowed, I anticipated spending a few months in Year 1, covering a class whilst their teacher was on maternity leave and then moving on to my next adventure. But your children hooked me in! They got under my skin and into my heart and I cannot convey how privileged I feel to have taken their journey through school with them, even having the opportunity to teach them in their final primary school year! I am so proud of the progress they have made, the people they have become, and all their achievements both in and out of school. We have amazing dancers, photographers, footballers, artists, historians and even a carpenter, all shining their lights brightly and using their God-given talents.

Each precious member of Class 5 has added a unique and special element to the mix. Without each and every one of them, we would not be the class we are, sometimes crazy, often loud and always ready for the next challenge. We have laughed together lots, cried together at times and tackled some really hard times, even before lockdown. But, like the wider school, we are a family and your children know how to show compassion, humility and forgiveness – values which I know will help them long after they walk out of the black wrought iron gate for the last time.



Being a mum of a Year 6 myself, I know that this is an emotional time for everyone. The children are all ready for the next part of their journey; they beat me hands down in terms of self-assuredness and confidence, but equally there is a trepidation – what will high school be like, how will I find my way round and how will I cope with homework? My wish is that the lesson they take from Lea Endowed is to trust. Trust themselves, trust others whom they meet along the path, trust you with making those tricky decisions that adults so often have to make, and trust God, knowing that He has a plan for

us all and holds us in His hands even when we feel like we are falling.

Psalm 18:29-33 You, OLORD, keep my lamp burning; my God turns my darkness into light. With your help I can advance against a troop; with my God I can scale a wall. As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless. He is a shield for all who take refuge in him. For who is God besides the LORD? And who is the Rock except our God? It is God who arms me with strength and makes my way perfect. He makes my feet like the feet of a deer; he enables me to stand on the heights.

So, all that is left to say is thank you again for sharing your most amazing children with me. They are an absolute credit to you, and they will definitely stay in the hearts of us all here at Lea Endowed.

Fly high Year 6, always shine your lights brightly and always remember that you are much loved.

Big hugs,

Rosie Bolton

