**Letter to King’s Wood parents from the school’s governors.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the summer holiday fast approaching, on behalf of the governors, thank you for the understanding over the recent months of lockdown which has been a challenge for everyone.

Knowing the impact on the education of children across the UK, King’s Wood Primary School and Nursery is determined to do whatever it can to help the pupils move forward safely, carefully and with real focus once again on teaching and learning in whatever form it is allowed to proceed in September.

Reporting on the full year this time round is difficult because the circumstances are so different. Whilst there are still many children not back at school, I know the staff have been delighted to see the happy smiling faces of those that have returned.

The experience of enabling home learning has been a new challenge for staff and parents alike. I know the staff are very aware of the challenges at home as well as at work for so many. Despite this we hope very much that your child has enjoyed following the lessons and tasks provided online and that they look forward to returning to the school classroom in September.

We say goodbye to year six pupils knowing the transition will be different but importantly that their experience at Kings Wood will hold them in good stead for their next stage of learning. We wish them the very best at their new school.

As the year closes, we say goodbye to Rose-Marie Wicks in the school office. Rosemary has worked to support the school community locally for the last twenty-three years. Rosemary was part of the consolidation of the two schools that became one over fifteen years ago. We wish Rosemary well in her retirement and thank her for her great service. She will be missed by all.

The new start in September will be a time to build and recover from the lockdown experience. I would like to thank all the staff for their commitment through a very uncertain time and for their determination to make the next school year as active and fulfilling for every child as it can be.

As a governing team we have recruited three new governors this year. Pav Sidhu, Florentina Diaconu and Jonathon Parsons, who bring professional business and educational experience to the school’s governance. As governors we feel sure that with the great work of Mrs Freeman and her leadership team, the next school year will provide a platform for renewed focus on your child’s education. We know for sure everyone is hoping the world will return to normal as quickly as possible.

Please enjoy your summer break, keep safe, keep well and we look forwards to welcoming all the children back in September.