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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week as we approach the end of term. As you know from previous correspondence; your child's end of year report will be sent to you via Parentmail today, scheduled for 4pm. As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, the reports are different this year. The Department for Education has removed the requirement to report pupils' attendance data for the 2019 to 2020 academic year, in recognition of the impact of the coronavirus outbreak on the possible attendance.

The Secretary of State for Education announced on 18th March 2020, that the 2019/20 National Curriculum Assessments would not take place due to the coronavirus pandemic. This meant that all EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 assessments, Phonics screening and Year 4 Multiplication tables check and moderation were cancelled. As a result of this, we are not able to provide end of year attainment assessments or any type of comparison for your child.

In writing the reports, we have followed guidance to take a proportionate approach in deciding what information to include within the children's reports.

Details of how parents and carers can arrange a discussion about the report with your child's teacher are included on the report. In fulfilling this requirement, we need to take account of government guidance on the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and the availability of staff. We are offering other options, such as telephone discussions; if you wish to discuss the report please book a telephone call via the school office email office@staugustine.medway.sch.uk or if your query can be answered via email; please contact teachers directly through the class email addresses. If your child is receiving additional support and you wish to discuss their report with Mrs Liggins (SENCO) please email senco@staugustine.medway.sch.uk.

As I promised in my letter last week, I am sharing with you who your child's teacher will be in September:

Year R: Mrs Burns

Year 1: Mrs Tinsley

Year 2: Mrs Bowden and Mrs Campion

Year 3: Mrs Woodward

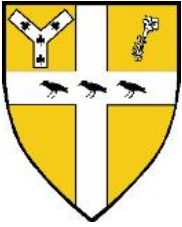
Year 4: Mrs Grant

Year 5: Miss Richardson

Year 6: Miss Wood

We will welcome Mrs Tinsley to our team in September; she is an experienced KS1 teacher and is looking forward to meeting her new class and joining our school. We say goodbye to Mrs Foreman and Mrs





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Elsworth and wish them best wishes for the future.

PE Kits and Lunch bags

I am aware that many of you would like an opportunity to collect your child's PE kit bag and or Lunch bag left in school on the 20th March. To ensure protective measures are adhered to, this has been arranged for:

Friday 17th July 2pm - 3.30pm

Thursday 23rd July 8.30am - 12pm.

Parents/Carers (one adult) may enter the playground via the front of the school following the entrance path in the school staff car park. We ask that parents/carers attend during one of the above times only; if you have children with you, you must ensure that they stay with you and are not permitted to use the school equipment. Please enter via the school car park (entrance sign) and walk to the playground where the PE Kit bag and Lunch bags will be set out on year group tables; if your child's bags are labelled this will make it considerably easier for you to find them quickly. Once you have collected your child's bags you must exit the school playground via the exit lane through the staff car park. Entry into the school building will not be permitted. Please adhere to social distancing and use hand sanitiser/wipes available and follow the signage in place. Please be aware that we will not be keeping PE Kits and Lunch bags over the summer if they are not collected during these opportunities.

Next week is our last full week of school and we are currently amending and writing new Risk Assessments for our reopening to all children in September. We are aware that some families may be reluctant or anxious about returning to school. If this is the case, I ask that you contact me as soon as possible through the office email office@staugustine.medway.sch.uk to enable us to put the right support in place to address this. We will share more details next Friday regarding some of our plans following Government Guidance.

Finally, I would like to invite you to watch a video message shared by Archbishop John Wilson from St George's Cathedral, Southwark, to all members of our school community. Found here: <https://youtu.be/K4hFdT4IM5c>

I hope you have a restful weekend. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Prestidge

Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

