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Dear parents/carers,

I can't believe that we are at the end of another academic year!

I am always amazed at how hard the pupils work and this year is no exception!

This year I have really enjoyed seeing the children perform to you as an audience. You should all be very proud of their achievements. I would firstly like to thank parents and carers for all of your support this year. Without it, we would not be the special High Bank family we are! Before we finish for the summer holidays, there are a few things I wanted to update you on.

New beginnings and goodbyes

As one chapter closes another one begins.

Today we say goodbye to year 6. You have been a fantastic set of pupils and we are so proud of all you have achieved. Enjoy your new chapter and we look forward to hearing all about your future success!

Mrs Kear Smith will also be leaving us and is returning to her grass roots in Wales. Mrs Kear Smith has worked at High Bank School for 10 years. Her enthusiasm and passion for the job has been something that has made her the unique and special teacher she is. We will miss her but know that she will enjoy more time with her family. As I said to her new Headteacher 'She is a cracker.' We wish her all the very best!

Miss Weir will be starting her maternity leave at the beginning of the new term we will miss her but look forward to meeting the new addition to the High Bank family. Mrs Armitage has already started working in the office. She will be a great addition to the school and I know you will make her feel welcome.

For the next academic year 2023-2024, the classes are as follows:

Nursery - Mimosa - Mrs Inman/ Miss Ayres

Reception - Capella - Miss Ayres

Year 1 - Vega - Mrs Bartkiw & Mrs Meek

Year 2 - Arcturus - Mrs Johnson

Year 3 - Rigil - Mrs Lawson & Mrs Bottomley

Year 4 & 5 - Canopus - Mr Barrett

Year 5 & 6 - Sirius - Mrs Boyden

Uniform for September

Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform and PE kit in September. If you need any support with uniform, please contact the school office. The uniform policy and school PE kit is on the school website and also on our facebook page and twitter.

If you have any good quality uniform that you would like to donate, please drop this off outside the school office next week between 10am & 12pm Monday - Thursday. Through the holidays, we will have our annual High Bank Boutique. Parents and carers are welcome to come to school from 10.00am to 12 noon to help themselves to any preloved uniform free of charge. We will post dates on Facebook and Twitter and send a text message with the dates of the boutique.

Holiday Clubs

The school will be running holiday clubs over the summer, during weeks 1,4,5 & 6. All booking confirmations have now been sent via text message. Please make sure that your child attends on time, with a water bottle and dressed appropriately for the weather and sporting activities.

We look forward to seeing you all for the start of a new term on **Tuesday** 5^{th} **September**. Children will need to be in school at 8.50am and school will now finish at 3.20pm

Finally, on a personal note I'd like to thank the governing body and my staff team, in particular Mrs Meek, who has done a fantastic job as acting Headteacher. I wish you all a happy, restful, and safe summer.

Mrs Chubb Headteacher