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## Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of another exciting year and I know that everyone is looking forward to a very well-earned break. Once again, here we are looking back at the many highlights over the year including sporting achievements and participating in the fantastic off-site visits such as Beach School. Our children have won awards, taken part in competitions and once again worked with the Friends of Alnmouth Station to produce some amazing art work for the station. The Year 5 and Year 6 residentials were a huge success and we are looking forward to repeating these again in 2023. For one of the smallest 20% of state schools, we certainly pack a lot in. Even in the last few days of term there are many children out and about on trips! None of this would have been possible without the hard work, dedication and enthusiasm of our teachers, teaching assistants and support staff. I am incredibly grateful to each and every one of them for their hard work and extensive contributions which go towards making Hipsburn Primary such a brilliant school.

Our priority at Hipsburn is growing healthy happy citizens within a safe environment but we admit that we are all very proud of the effort Year 6 have put into their SATs - the results were well about the national averages. We as a school are very proud of our Year 6 children and we wish them the very best as they move on to the next stage of their education. I felt very proud of Year 6 at their recent Leavers Assembly - they are a real credit to the school.

Across the rest of the school, governors have been very impressed by the enthusiasm and behaviour of the children, who are always welcoming and engaged during governor visits. It has also been wonderful to welcome parents and members of the community to attend the special assemblies about "The



















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Dam" project and the Open Afternoon earlier this term where we show cased the work across the whole school. We will be repeating this whole school project around a new theme next year. Also, the class assemblies that were very popular with parents before Covid will return next term.

I am also very grateful for the numerous volunteers who make this such a special place to work - we have volunteers who help support a range of activities in school on a daily basis. From listening to readers to assisting on school trips and putting up fantastic displays our volunteers enhance and enable us to provide the best provision we can with the resources we have. Our Beach School visits which are well embedded into life at Hipsburn have only been possible with the number of parents, grandparents and governors who accompany us on these trips.

I would also like to thank the governing body who meet regularly to manage, challenge and most of all support the school. They give many hours voluntarily and have supported me and the school in our journey. Also supporting us is our School Improvement Partner - Linda Taylor who works with us each term and works with staff and governors across the school.

We wish those children who are leaving many happy memories and a bright future, those who are staying even more adventures in the new academic year and we look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Enjoy the summer holidays.

Kind regards,

Kevin Moloney Headteacher















