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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 our amazing sports achievements and fantastic off site visits such as Beach Schools. The Year 5 and Year 6 residentials were a huge success and we are looking forward to repeating these again in 2020. For one of the smallest 20% of state schools, we certainly pack a lot in. We have just achieved an Eco-Schools Award and a fabulous award in recognition of our PE achievements. 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 and the above average results achieved. To achieve 90% in Reading, Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation as well as Maths and 81% in Writing is quite something! We as a school are very proud of our Year 6 children and we wish them the very best as they move on.

Across the rest of the school, governors have been very impressed by the performance and behaviour of the children, who are always welcoming and engaged during governor visits and respond positively to change. The class assemblies have been wonderful and a credit to our school. I hope that you enjoyed attending the class assemblies this year and being able to have the opportunity to see what we are busy doing in school.





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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 our volunteers enhance and enable us to provide the best provision we can with the resources we have. We have had so many parents and friends of the school sharing their time and their creative talents - even rugby coaching in preparation for county games. Our Beach Schools visits have increased significantly this year and this has 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 to support the school. They give many hours voluntarily and have supported me and the school in our journey.

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 4^{th} September.

Enjoy the summer holidays.

Kind regards,

Kevin Moloney Headteacher

