



19th July 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to staff, pupils, governors, parents and carers for an enjoyable and successful year. There have been numerous highlights including:

- A successful OFSTED inspection in October 2018
- High standards achieved in the end of key stage tests (EYFS, KS1 and KS2)
- An enriched curriculum incorporating a wide variety of educational visits (including residential visit to PGL) and focused theme weeks: geography week, RE week, reading week, science week and sports week
- The family services held in church
- Winning the Altham Choir Competition and the East Lancashire heat of Last Choir Singing, and performing at the Grand Final at St George's Hall, Blackburn (£750 prize money won to invest in musical equipment)
- Sponsored sing at Rossendale Hospice
- More Music Project and Music Festival
- Successful participation in over forty sporting competitions with many successful outcomes including being placed in the netball league, football league and cross country event (plus many more!)
- The Infant Nativity – Lights, Camel, Action
- The Key Stage 2 Summer Show – Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
- A wide range of events organised by the PTA which have raised significant funds for school
- The Christmas and Summer Fairs (including The Big Run)
- The Triathlon which also raised significant funds for school and hit a record for both time completed and final amount raised
- A wider variety of extra-curricular clubs, including rugby, skiing and horse riding
- New interactive flat screen TVs (with Apple TV) for every classroom coming in September 2019
- Full refurbishment of Class Reception (scheduled over the summer holiday)

All of the above would not be possible without the help and support of the families of the children we care for, here at Edenfield. It is vital to acknowledge the importance of this partnership and celebrate its success.

I would also like to announce the safe arrival of a second baby boy for Mr Cartridge; Freddie Andrew Cartridge arrived yesterday (18th July) at 8.30am, weighing in at 8lbs and 6 oz. All are doing well – Freddie arrived two weeks early so it was a bit of surprise for Mr and Mrs Cartridge when he decided to make an appearance yesterday. I am sure you will join us, here at Edenfield, in sending them lots of love and big congratulations!

This afternoon, we said goodbye and good luck to our fantastic Year 6 children as we celebrated their achievements and memories in Church. The majority of the children have spent seven years in our care and it has been a privilege to teach and nurture them all. The service was both celebratory and moving; furthermore, it was a fitting tribute to a fantastic group of children who have generated a wealth of wonderful memories for all of us across the school. More recently, we have been preparing them for life at their chosen high school. Most of the staff can remember the children as new starters in Class Reception, and today they have grown into mature young people ready to embark on new and exciting adventures. They are a credit to you, their parents, and we will miss each and every one of them.

Today we prayed for our children and our school:

God of Wisdom,

We thank you for all the gifts you have given us throughout this school year.

We praise you for giving us life, for saving us in Christ, and for choosing us to be your people.

As we come to the end of this school year,

We voice our gratitude for the good things you have done in us,

And we praise you for all who have shared in the work of this school.

We ask you to bless them in your love and give them refreshment and peace.

We praise you, God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

All that remains is to wish you all a pleasant and enjoyable summer holiday. I look forward to another happy and successful year, and to seeing you on Tuesday 3rd September.

Warm wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Garner', written in a cursive style.

Mrs C Garner
Headteacher