



Monday 20th July 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

This school year has been unprecedented in more ways that I can possibly list here. However, despite all of the challenges and barriers thrown in our way, we have persevered. I realise how tough the last term and half has been for all of us as we struggle to manage home schooling alongside the multitude of other challenges we have faced during lockdown. Therefore I would like to take this opportunity to thank both the school staff and our parent/carer community for the dedication everyone has shown to keeping our children's education going.

As we look around at other schools through friends, family and other contacts, I hope you will all agree that Rackham has delivered continued education to the highest possible standards. This has only been possible due to the commitment and effort of every one of the staff at Rackham. Like the rest of us, our teachers, TAs and support teams at school have been working day and night, weekends and over their holidays to deliver the best possible teaching, resources and support for our children. This has become even harder in recent weeks as many more of them have had to teach bubbles in school while also addressing the needs of children still based at home.

Delivering the tools and resources is only part of the job of course – your willingness as parents/carers to work with your children to apply them, provide support and guidance is just as important, so on behalf of our entire governing body, I would like to say thank you to everyone.

The realities of next academic year are still unclear and there are many uncertainties that mean we cannot yet be confident about what next term will look like. However, it is our deepest hope that it will be somewhere much closer to 'normal' than this past term has been. However the next couple of months develop, rest assured that our teachers will be planning for it and doing everything possible to make sure that our children's education continues and their attainment progresses as expected, whatever the circumstances.

Finally, I would like to say congratulations and thank you to those that are leaving us at the end of this year. To those in Year 6, congratulations on all you have achieved at Rackham and good luck in College. To Miss Crawley, who is moving on from our staff team, thank you and you will be very sorely missed.

In the meantime, I wish everyone a very restful summer and look forward to welcoming our children back to school safely in September.

On behalf of the Board of Governors,



Chair of Governors
Rackham CofE Primary School