



## Message from our Chair of Governors

I hope that you are all keeping safe and well in these difficult times.

Normally at this time of year I would be reflecting on the past year and congratulating everyone on their SATS results, but this year has not been normal. I know that the children who should have taken their SATS would have done their very best and I am sure that the results would have been very good.

I would like to wish all of Year 6 the very best for the future in their new secondary schools in September and I know that you will all continue to work hard and to achieve your best.

Over the last few months, I have been in regular contact with Mr Norris and I am very aware of the changes that have been made to ensure that the children and staff at Hawksworth are as safe as possible. The procedures that have been put in place are excellent and the level of detail to which the school has gone to ensure the safety of all is unbelievable.

Mr. Norris has informed me that all the parents and carers of the children who are at school are to be congratulated on the way they have adapted to the new rules around school. He has also shared with me the fantastic work completed by children who were unable to attend Hawksworth CE School due to Covid -19 restrictions.

I feel confident that the school is as safe as possible at the present time and that the necessary adjustments to accommodate more children in school in September have been achieved so that school can return to some sort of normality.

On behalf of the Governing Board I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Norris for showing strong leadership during these challenging times and to thank all his staff for their endeavours during a time of ever changing government guidelines and for their great work with remote teaching and keeping the school open. I hope you all enjoy a well-deserved summer break to recharge your batteries ready for the challenges in September.

I would like to thank all parents for your support for Hawksworth throughout this academic year but especially during recent events. I would also like to thank the other members of the Governing Board for their hard work behind the scenes over the last twelve months. I know that it can be very tiring and time consuming but rewarding at the same time.

All that remains for me to say is to thank all parents for your support and to wish that you all have a fantastic summer break and I look forward to seeing you all in September and to welcoming our new intake.

*George Pratt*

Chair of Governors

## Headteacher's Comment

During my twenty seven years of teaching I have never experienced an academic year like the one that ends today. It has been sad to see our pupil's education disrupted and for them to miss out on so many things we would usually take for granted: educational visits, sports events, playing with their classmates, sports day, Year 6 Leavers' production etc. However, these recent events have shown our children are resilient, can adapt and still smile when faced with change – all good qualities to have! It has also emphasised that I am blessed to have a dedicated staff who are willing to put the extra hours in to ensure the best for the children. I would like to thank them for their hard work. I would also like to thank Governors and parents for their continued support which has been very much appreciated by the Hawksworth staff.

## Our Year Six Stars

Today we say au revoir to our Year 6 cohort. Each one of them has been a great asset to the school and have been and will continue to be great ambassadors for Hawksworth. Mr Roche said they were an excellent year group and Mr McGuire would echo this sentiment.

On behalf of everyone at Hawksworth I wish Lola B.A, Noah, Jacob, Jack, William, Niamh, Lola M, Wilfie, Zaynab, Nathaniel, Esme, Lois and Joshua all the best for Year 7 and we will all miss you! Don't forget you will always be welcome back at Hawksworth.

Below are the seven children selected by Mr McGuire who he feels deserve special recognition for their efforts during this academic year:

<b>Religious Education Award</b> <b>Joshua Wilkinson</b>	<b>Sports Girl of the Year Award</b> <b>Lola Makaafi</b>	<b>Excellent Behaviour Award</b> <b>Noah Booth</b>	<b>Excellent Attitude Award</b> <b>Niamh Loftus</b>
			
<b>Ambassador for Hawksworth</b> <b>Esme Stoney</b>	<b>History Award</b> <b>Lola Bellamy-Armstrong</b>	<b>Sports Boy of the Year Award</b> <b>Nathaniel Pease</b>	 <b>The Year 6 Award Winners</b>
			





## Miss Ward

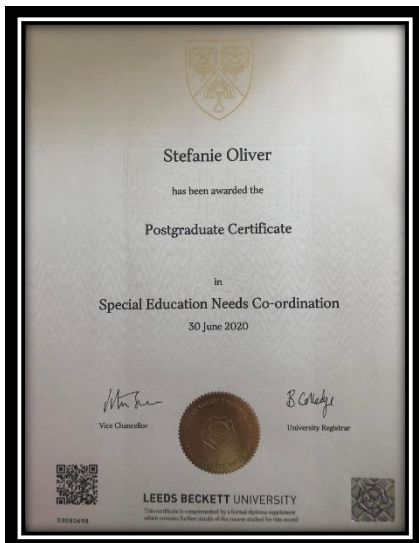
We also say au revoir to Miss E. Ward who has been a teaching assistant at Hawksworth since September 2015. During her time, she has become a valued and popular member of the Hawksworth team and we are all very sad she is leaving! She was recently awarded a 2:1 degree and will commence her teacher training in September. I know she will be an excellent classroom practitioner! To show ours and the children's appreciation of her, Miss Ward will be presented with gifts this afternoon during an outside, social distancing collective worship.

## Governor news



Last week we had our last Full Governors Meeting. It was a very productive two hour meeting and we also had the opportunity to formally welcome Mrs M. Smith (Jasper's Mum) to the Governing Body. She is a great addition to the team and with her vast range of experience in logistics, commerce and finance she will complement the team well.

## Mrs Oliver



Congratulations to Mrs Oliver who has been awarded a Postgraduate Certificate in Special Education Needs Co-ordination from Leeds Beckett University.

This year long qualification is a great achievement especially when Mrs Oliver has been carrying out her duties as Assistant Headteacher, preparing online work for her Year 2 pupils, teaching her Year 1s, completing her daily SENCO work and working with both of her own children who were unable to attend their school due to its partial closure...have a restful holiday Mrs Oliver!

## PE Awards

...and more awards. Congratulations to Mr McGuire (subject leader for PE) whose work this year has been recognised and awarded by *YourSchoolGames*, an organisation that has created a national programme designed to keep competitive sport at the heart of schools and provide more young people with the opportunity to compete and achieve their personal best. The school have been presented with the *Virtual PE* and *PE Recognition* awards.

## Art

The Keyworker children have been producing some excellent work with our talented Art specialist Mrs Gallagher (Learning Mentor and HLTA). There is a wide range of ages within the Keyworker group and the standard of work achieved is excellent. The children were inspired by the work of Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein.





(left) The Key Worker bubble lockdown  
– a collaborative piece of artwork.

### Class photos – Mrs Metcalfe

This term we were unable to have our photographer from Ross Photography in due to Covid-19 restrictions. Mrs Metcalfe kindly volunteered to create a 2019 – 2020 class photo for each class and these have been emailed today to all families. From the time on her email it was very late at night when she finished so a huge pat on the back for Mrs Metcalfe and thank you to Mrs Hyde for making time to email the photographs. I have placed the photos at the end of this newsletter.

### Building work

As you may have noticed our school carpark now has a large shipping container and a port-a-loo in situ. The engineers started work on Friday dismantling the old boiler and on Saturday completed the removal of it. They will now take a further six weeks installing the new boiler and updating the school kitchen. We also have a builder in doing alterations to the school office and a decorator painting Class 4, the school office and the grey wall outside the office. The new Kestrel and 'Elba Charitable Foundation' signs have also been fitted this week on the new classroom. The Elba Charitable Foundation was the charity which provided the majority of funds to enable us to have the new classroom for Kestrels and Class 3 built. Their funds also provided the opportunity for us to renovate Class 3's old classroom into 'The Haven'. We have had the glass door in 'The Haven' adorned with our school crest.





To all our children – have a great Summer holiday! From everyone at Hawksworth.







## 2020 – 2021 Diary Dates

School re-opens: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020

First two 2020-2021 training days have now been cancelled – children will return to school on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020. The other three training days will be:

Monday 22nd February 2021

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Tuesday 27th July 2021

Have a great Summer!

*Mr Dale Norris*

Headteacher

