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Dear Parents

## Pupils' Annual Report of Achievement up to the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

In normal circumstances, we would now be sending out your child's annual report to cover the period up to the end of June, and for Years R,1, 2 and 6 (in July) also including the results of any National assessments. Obviously with schools closing to most pupils from the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 due to the Covid 19 Pandemic and National assessments being cancelled, things this year are of course going to be different. Whilst we have had some of our children start to return from the 1<sup>st</sup> June, many have not. The Government therefore advised that this year, schools should only report up to the 20<sup>th</sup> March to ensure that reporting was accurate and reflected what teachers had seen within the school setting. Therefore, please find attached information regarding your child's achievement in this academic year up to the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The following information should be attached:-

- Child's Annual Report covering the period up to the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020
- Questionnaire regarding Pupils' Annual Report

## Assessment.

As a school, we have per the Government guidance, used both formative and summative assessment data from our February/March assessments.

- Children who were achieving the age related expectations for the objectives they had covered up to school closure were assessed as being 'Expected' at that point.
- Pupils considered as working at a higher level of understanding within the age related expectations were assessed as working at 'Greater Depth'.
- 'Close to' indicates that children were achieving many of the key objectives taught but were not secure in all.
- Children who were only achieving a few or none of the key objectives taught before the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 were assessed as being 'Below' at that point in the year.

We realise that many children will have progressed since this point but obviously we are unable to make properly informed assessments of any progress they have made since lockdown due to the majority of children not being in school even with all the amazing home learning they have undertaken.

We know that many children have worked incredibly hard on their Home Learning tasks which will have ensured they have continued to make progress and we will of course reassess all of the children when they return to us in September so that we can identify any gaps in their learning and ensure we provide additional support where needed.

Hopefully the detailed teacher comments should give you an indication as to how your child was doing up to lockdown and what areas they need to focus on when they return in September.



## **Effort Grade**

The effort grade is a reflection of a child's learning behaviour, including resilience and determination to selfimprove, be motivated and have a love of learning. We would consider only a few pupils to have exceptional learning behaviour (A).

Again, for some pupils we are expecting in September to see some significant changes in terms of their learning behaviours as many have no doubt become much more independent and self- motivated during lockdown.

If you wish to discuss the annual report with your child's class teacher, please do contact the office who will arrange a telephone appointment before the end of the Summer term.

We do hope you find this information useful even if it does not reflect the period since lockdown and we will of course keep you fully informed of your child's progress when we are (hopefully) all back together in September.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Hanratty Headteacher