



HARDY MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Year 6

We hope you are all okay. We know some of you may, understandably, be quite upset, knowing that you will not be returning to Hardy Mill. We are also upset, however we are pleased that one of your last memories of your time at Hardy Mill will be signing shirts together in Rostron classroom as this is something we would not have been able to do now.

We want to reassure you that Mrs Briggs, Mr Burton and the Governors did everything they could to try and make it possible for you to come back with the other year groups. We are sure you know that the government are telling everyone to stay 2 meters apart. Unfortunately, as Mrs Briggs said in her letter, when we measured the classrooms and spaced out the tables, we did not have enough room for all of the children in all of the year groups to come back. Mrs Briggs was told that if she could not fit all the children in the building, she had to bring back the youngest children first.

Over the next few weeks we will try to make sure that you get to take part in some fun end of Year 6 activities. We are going to be very busy, ensuring that you have some fabulous memories to take away and cherish about your time at Hardy Mill.

These are some of our intentions – we hope you like them!

- **A Year 6 Zoom Call**

We know that those of you who were planning to return were looking forward to seeing your friends. However, less than half of Year 6 had informed us that they were planning to return. So that all of you have the opportunity to see each other, we will organise a zoom call that you can join if you wish. Details of the joining information and a few rules will follow – this will also provide the opportunity for us to present your Year 6 certificates (more about these later.)

- **Opening up the class discussion**

Within the Showbie App there is a class discussion section. Currently this just allows the teachers to post messages to you. However, we thought it may be nice, that once a week this class discussion page is opened up so that you are able to chat amongst yourselves within a safe space.

- **A Transition/ Wellbeing booklet**

We are busily putting together a Transition booklet that will be available through the website or on Showbie. You can work through this booklet at your own pace and ask any questions you may have about your move to high school. Mrs Graham and Miss Perry can

try to answer these questions or pass them on to your high schools if we don't know the answer.

- **Guess the baby...**

We would like to have some fun in these next few weeks!

If you would like to be a part of this quiz, then please send a picture of you as a baby, we will then collate these and send it out – “Can you guess the baby?”

There will be a prize for then winner!

- **A collated video message**

It would be lovely for children to share their memories, funny moments, things they will miss (just like we would have done in our leavers' assembly). So, if you would like to be a part of this, then we would like you to record a clip of yourself, telling us a strong memory you hold from Hardy Mill, a moment that made you laugh, something that you will miss etc.

Mrs Graham will send an example clip out in the next few weeks, as to what this may look like. We will then collate all of your clips and make a Year 6 memories video for you to keep.

- **A memories video**

Whilst you have been at Hardy Mill you have taken part in many, many things – where teachers may have had a camera with them – therefore we have photos of some of you all the way back from when you were in Nursery. Again, if you would like to be a part of this memories video then let us know and we will collate something.

- **Certificates**

As you know, Year 6 receive certificates, nominated by their cohort at the end of Year 6. You will receive a voting sheet in the near future for you to complete and fill in. Who is most likely to become a famous singer? Which one of you always makes everyone smile?

The certificates will then be awarded to you on our Zoom Call and then posted to your house.

We hope that you will join in with the activities and there might be some more added along the way. Please be assured that we will do our utmost to make these last few weeks ones to remember, as much as they possibly can!

You will receive more in-depth information about the list above in the coming weeks. Please await that information before sending anything as we may be inundated with different videos, messages, clips etc.

Year 6 – you are amazing and we are really enjoying receiving your messages on Showbie. Keep working hard and if there is anything we can help you with we are always here.

Mrs Graham and Miss Perry

