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Dear Parents,

I wanted to write to you as this very unusual school year draws to a close and assure you that we are all working really hard and, although we cannot make a full return to normal in September, we are doing our very best to make our school as safe as it can possibly be so that you can have peace of mind when your children return to us on September 7th.

I am so grateful for the way that you have responded to the changes that we have had to make over the last few months and for engaging with the online learning to support your children at home; this has been vital to ensure that they are not at a disadvantage when they return. All of these resources will remain on line for you to dip into over summer and there are also a 2 new phase pages for holiday activities on the Online Learning menu, Summer Fun and Learning, so that the children can practise skills and stay ready for learning when they come back to school. Please do practise basic English and Maths skills as this will mean your child should not have to do lots of catching up in September.

I am sad to say that, after a really successful number of years with us, Mr Palmer and Mr Fleming are leaving to further their careers and embrace new opportunities. We wish them well for the future and know that they will be an asset to the schools that they are joining. This means that we have two new members of staff joining us in September, Mrs Moughel in Rainbow class and Miss Adams in Orange and we are excited to welcome them to our Devonshire family.

You will notice that our staff have been busy making videos to help you with transition to your child's new year group and you can find these on the school website on the year group pages. I think this is definitely something that we will continue to do, even after the current crisis has passed, as the videos are a really useful way of sharing information with you and I hope that you feel the same. In the week before the children come back we will be adding more information and sending you up to date guidance by email so please check for this from the 1st of September.

Finally then, I want to wish you a safe and happy summer and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Kind regards

Mrs S Gibson
Head Teacher



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Some resources and links that you may find useful during the summer holidays

Who is this for?	Link
Everyone	Information about Corona Virus in different languages https://www.devonshireinfantacademy.org/covid-19-information
Everyone	Concerns - What to do if you or your child feels unsafe https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/
Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Please choose a few of these activities to help your child over the summer holiday so that they are ready for school in September. This homework is very important to make sure they remember basic English and Maths skills.	Summer activities to help children practise skills they will need ready for their next class. Early Years https://www.devonshireinfantacademy.org/summer-fun-and-learning Years 1 and 2 https://www.devonshireinfantacademy.org/year-1-and-2-summer-fun-and-learnin
Current Y2	What will you be learning about in Y3? Summer activities that link to Y3 learning https://www.devonshirejunioracademy.org/other-activities
Parents with preschool children can find some lovely ideas on this site.	https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/activities/zjh8hbk