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Dear Parents and Carers

**Time to Recalibrate** 'Summer puts crimson On many of her leaves, The fullest time of the Year'

From Monday, there are only four weeks of the term remaining. An exceptionally important time to recalibrate, it is crucial that every pupil completes all home-learning to the highest possible standard, reads as widely as possible and, in regard to older children, portions of the Guardian, I newspaper or National Geographic magazine.

## **Transition and Orientation**

I will write in more detail concerning forthcoming transition and orientation mornings for Year 1 to Year 5 in the next few days. Weather permitting, these will take place in our grounds. If wet, we will ensure that pupils can socially distance appropriately in the hall. Your child's class teacher will, alongside Deputy Head Ms Lindsay Johnson and myself, afford expert guidance that pertains to how best to utilise the month of August in preparation for the start of the 2020/2021 school year. The children will also meet the staff who will be teaching them in September.

Nursery Reception	<b>Who is Teaching Who?</b> Ms Natasha Peurois Ms Polly Holmes
Year 1	Ms Rachel McCombe
Year 2	Ms Melissa Kiley
Year 3	Mr Scott Gourley
Year 4	Ms Verity Handyside
Year 5	Mr George Plumridge
Year 6	Mr Jason Dass

## Sporting Prowess, Sculpture, Country Dancing and Cello

As we rapidly approach midsummer, I feel it apt to take pleasure in remembering that up to the point at which the pandemic halted proceedings, there had been so many magical moments this year. Remarkable success on the netball court and hockey pitch in the autumn, intricate animal figurines crafted in the winter as part of Ms Verity Handyside's art initiative, and the sublime country-dancing venture in the early spring are amongst the many highlights. The inventive writing on show by the Year 6 scholars was humbling, and elicited such effusive responses from both pupils and staff. It would be wholly remiss not to mention the quality of our choir, string instrumentalists and pianists, all of whom performed with such brio.

Yours sincerely. DM Sellens