

TODDINGTON ST. GEORGE CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Parent /Carers,

Thanks from all the staff at Toddington St George

We are nearing the end of the school term and this academic year.

It has certainly been a different year for us all and especially for you and your child/children. We could never have anticipated what this year would bring with regard to your child's schooling, let alone all the other aspects of the Covid period.

I wanted to express sincere thanks from all the school community here, and off site, for the extraordinary commitment of families to their children's learning since lockdown began way back in March.

At the start of all this we just hoped and prayed you would all stay well and the children would come through this without illness. Whilst we know some of you have had great sadness, illness or other difficulties to deal with, we are so relieved to know the children have been safe.

Then we started to move ahead with the first learning packs. We never imagined that we would see quite so much wonderful work back from your child/children over the weeks as times were so complicated for everyone in lockdown.

The teachers have been so grateful that you have used the work prepared for your children to help them keep learning and that many of you have helped your child Zoom in too, if they were keen to see their friends and speak with their teacher or their teaching assistant.

We have been so delighted to see so many varied things: great film footage and photos of models, writing, cards, maths, science, paintings and pictures, sheets for our St George's day banner, the VE day bunting, Rainbows for the NHS and welcome back words for those coming in to bubbles, children on Toddington Trails, rocks for rock snakes designs, paintings, plants and also heart-warming film clips of bike riding, trampolining, football, playtimes with parents and siblings, swimming (mostly in paddling pools!), sharing baking with us and dancing and singing. The website tells the story of all of this, and it is a very positive story for so many!

I would like to wish you a good break from home-schooling and thank you so much for all you have done.

We look forward so much to the children being back and enjoy being 'TSG Together again', learning with their friends and teachers.

Thank you for stepping up to the home learning challenge so well!

Have a good summer and stay well and safe.

With thanks from us all at TSG,

Jane Spencer