

## HACKTHORN CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

In mid-June we held our first socially-distanced whole school assembly outdoors... the first time in over 14 months! You should have seen the looks on the faces of the children and staff. It was an absolute joy. We even sang. The assembly focused on all of the wonderful opportunities that we have planned for this term: it is going to be a really busy one!

Opportunities to come will include the usual transition days for our new reception and Y6 children, sports day, the KS2 production, a talent show and Y6 leavers' activities. We hope we will be able to hold the leavers' service in the church this year.



In addition to all this, Y5 and Y6 pupils will participate in Bike-ability, reception children will have Balance-ability and all children will be involved in the 150-mile walk (to celebrate the school turning 150!), organised by Friends of Hackthorn School. We have also organised a visit from Zoolab and have booked the Drumba team for a day.

On Friday 18th June, School Council encouraged everyone to wear a hat with a flower to raise funds for brain tumour research. The money raised will help support campaigning and fund ground-breaking research at dedicated centres of excellence in the UK, helping their mission to find a cure for brain tumours.

There was also a mystery event alluded to during the assembly but clues were limited as to what it could be. The key message was... don't miss school or you may miss out!

Staff have been busy writing the children's reports and I am thoroughly enjoying reading them. It is clear that they know the children well and the good news is that, despite such a turbulent year, Hackthorn children have maintained their positive attitudes to learning and made good progress.

We hope we will soon be able to welcome visitors onsite. Please contact the school on 01673 860295 to arrange a visit or to request a school brochure.

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