

Partnership, Achievement, Community & Excellence

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of a very busy and eventful academic year, I write to say how proud I am of the children, staff and school community across our PACE schools and to thank you for all of the support you have given us over the past year.

When I wrote to you in January, our lives were still being disrupted by Covid and we were navigating our way through constantly changing government guidance. Whilst cases of Covid have started to creep up again, it has been such a pleasure to see the events we have missed over the past couple of years coming back into the school calendar. These include the summer fetes, sporting events, concerts and the wonderful Year 6 performances that mark the end of the children's time at primary school. After the restrictions of the pandemic, it has been fantastic to have been able to invite you back into our schools for all sorts of events.

The five schools across our trust are amazing: each one is unique and has different strengths that we are able to celebrate and learn from. Our staff work closely within and across our schools to share great practice and to provide support and guidance for each other. I have seen at first-hand how inspirational they are as they have navigated their way through the year, focusing tirelessly on ensuring that the curriculum meets the needs of the children; adapting learning to take account of the impact of the pandemic and trying to include as many enrichment opportunities as possible.

The schools also have lots of things in common, including our commitment to working in partnership with you, as parents and carers. We know that when we work in partnership with you, we can **together** provide the conditions in which all our children can thrive.

Over the past year we have achieved many things as individual schools and collectively as a trust of schools. It would be impossible to list all of those here so do please take a look at our school websites and social media accounts. You can link to all our school websites from https://www.paceacademytrust.com and I have included our Twitter handles below. We have a video coming to our website very soon that will tell you a bit more about us too. We are proud of what we have achieved with you this year but know that there are always things to develop and improve. Our plans for next year include a continuation of our work on diversity and environmental sustainability and a focus on ensuring all children achieve the best they possibly can during the time they are in our care.

I sign off by extending my thanks to you for your ongoing support and look forward to working with you in September. Best wishes to the children who are moving onto secondary school and to you, as a family, if your journey with PACE concludes at the end of this term.

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