



17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parent

As we come to the end of a very different school year the likes of which has not been seen in modern times I wanted to write to you one final time.

In recent months we've clapped, we've 'clopene'd', we've cleaned and together we have got through.

I am immensely proud to lead our Federation and I would like to extend my warmest thanks and appreciation for all you have done to support your children and our schools this year, in particular in the weeks and months since the end of March. It has been a time of immense challenge.

All parents have had to reinvent themselves overnight juggling work commitments, family life and supporting their children's education. A number of our parents have played a critical role in our local hospitals, care homes and other essential services, thank you for your service to our community.

This has been the most challenging of situations. As I father myself, I know and understand some of the challenges you are likely to have faced. I also recognise that every household is unique. Although we have all lived with the same restrictions and expectations, the impact of these on each family has been very different. I am sure each family is ready for a well-deserved rest. I hope everyone is able to enjoy some or all of their summer plans.

I recognise that in particular the last half term during which some children were able to return and others remained at home has caused further challenge and anxiety. We are very much looking forward to September when we can welcome back all children.

In the documents attached, I have provided as much information as I am able to in relation to September. I will write again towards the end of August with updates.

While recognising the need to switch off, relax and recharge I also recognise that families will want to ensure they help their children prepare socially, emotionally and academically for returning in September. Through various pages on our Federation website (please see list of key new pages at the bottom of this letter) we have provided ideas, suggestions and work to assist with this.

Thank you again to all parents and children for your resilience, patience and understanding. I wish you all a safe and restful summer and I look forward to seeing you in September.

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Very best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Griffiths – Headteacher

**New and Updated Website Sections to Support Families throughout the summer and in preparation for September.**

Our Full Re-Opening Page - <http://follifootandspofforth.co.uk/full-re-opening-september-2020/>

Class Pages for 2020-2021 <http://follifootandspofforth.co.uk/spofforth-class-1-early-years/>

Our Social Emotional and Mental Health pages - <http://follifootandspofforth.co.uk/social-emotional-mental-health/>

Our Starting school Page (primarily directed at new starters) <http://follifootandspofforth.co.uk/starting-school/>

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