



LADBROOKE JMI SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff

As the end of the academic year approaches it is time to thank our Headteacher and her team for their hard work. The team includes **all** the staff: teachers, teaching assistants and non-teaching staff who work together under Miss Webster's leadership to provide our children with an enjoyable learning experience in a safe environment.

The success of the school can be measured in many ways such as SATS results which are excellent this year, children's attendance (an outstanding 95.9% this half term), staff absence is minimal, a waiting list to get in to the school and the children themselves who say they like coming to school. So on behalf of the governors - 'thank you'.

Staffing

In addition to losing Miss Ronald to work closer to home, Miss Halil whose contract was linked to a Y6 pupil who is going to secondary school and Mr Silverstone who tendered his resignation after prolonged absence, Mrs Smart also left earlier this year. Mrs Smart joined the school in 2001 as Miss Lopez and left to return to full time teaching. We offer thanks to all of these staff who have enriched the lives of our pupils. We are pleased to confirm that new appointments have been made for September.

On looking through my old records I noted that we have an amazing number of years of service in the support staff providing us with a wealth of experience. Mrs Saunders joined us in 1996 as a Welfare Assistant, Mrs Radmall in 2001 as Support Teacher and both Mrs Gates and Mrs Worpole in 2002 as Classroom Assistants. Visitors to the school in the year have praised the displays used for our Creative Curriculum and the work of the children around the school for all to see.

FOLS

Friends of Ladbrooke School continues to be a fantastic asset to the school both financially with their fund raising and socially as part of the school community. We were blessed with a sunny day for the Summer Fayre when a staggering £2,700 was raised. For this we need to thank families, friends & Staff and probably the children for spending all that money!!



Premises

Within the budget of the school there is a rolling programme of work carried out to maintain the premises in good working order. We are fortunate to have a young school with less maintenance than it might be, however, the toilets were in desperate need of refurbishment and this work will be carried out in the Summer Break. Pupils were invited to choose the colour schemes and we look forward to seeing the results.

Parking

We have requested that the lines are repainted in the external Car Park for which the school acts as custodian. Whilst we cannot be sure when this will be done, please leave the disabled space for parents who need it, park only in the Parking Bays and please consider the safety of all the children as you 'Drop Off' and 'Collect'

Governors

We gained four new Governors this year: Mrs D Bedford (Parent), Mrs Z Durrani (Parent), Mr D Reddington (Community) and Mr M Turner (Community). In turn we saw the retirement of Mrs H Follett, Mr C Cook and Mrs D Radley who all played a valuable part to support and challenge.

We currently have a parent governor vacancy. Please give some consideration to becoming a Governor as nominations will be invited in September.

Lastly, have a good Summer Break and return refreshed for the new term in September.

Yours

Lesley Gawen (Chair)
On behalf of the Governors