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Dear Parents,

As our school year draws to an end, we can reflect on and celebrate the most outstanding achievements over the past twelve months. As the world returned into isolation in January and people became disconnected, here in our wonderful Stamshaw community, we feel more connected with you than ever before. Our children, our staff and you, our wonderful parents have been our shining stars throughout and we are so proud of our special school. Your kindness, compassion and understanding through these challenging months has been astonishing and we are hugely grateful to each and every one of you for your fabulous support. Our priority has always been the safety and emotional wellbeing of our amazing children so that they can thrive, flourish, laugh and succeed each day. They have shown resilience, strength and a spirit which is nothing short of remarkable. History will reflect this wonderful group of young people in generations to come and we could not be prouder of all that they have achieved.

I know how much you have enjoyed hearing about your children's progress through the 'Seesaw' app, Instagram and talking with teachers. In order to celebrate each child as an individual please find enclosed a personalised letter from your child's Class Teacher/s. We hope that you enjoy reading about all the successes and wonderful qualities about your sons and daughters over the past twelve months at school and also throughout Lockdown. Please accept my apologies if we have made any errors in parent names, but as you will understand, we are using names and addresses held on our system which may now have changed. We are very happy to make any alterations and reprint reports if there are any errors.

I am hopeful that September will see a return to a more familiar school environment. Our children are no doubt excited about the adventures ahead. We have enclosed a letter for our Early Years and Year 1 children introducing them to their new class teachers for September. It will also be wonderful for the children to make new friends as they move to the next year group.

For our magnificent Penguins and Peacocks, we will miss them terribly next year but wish them such 'Good Luck' as they move to Junior School. They truly are a credit to you and we are enormously proud of all that they have learnt and achieved during their three years at Stamshaw. We hope that we are sending them on their way with treasured memories, confidence, happiness and the knowledge that they will always be our amazing Stamshaw Stars!

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our exceptional team of staff who have been brilliant throughout the pandemic. I am so grateful to them for their compassion, dedication and support. As a profession, we have been privileged and lucky to have been able to come to work every day and be greeted by our smiling, happy children sharing in their play, their learning and their achievements.

I will write to you all again before the end of term but meanwhile, please do not hesitate in contacting the school should you have any questions or concerns.

With warmest of wishes,

Mrs Cooper  
Headteacher