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From the Headteacher:

And so, another academic year comes to an end – and what a year this one has been. We have had many moments and achievements this year that we can be proud of. A huge thank you must go to the Aston Rowant staff team for their incredible dedication and commitment throughout this fun, albeit busy, year. As Headteacher, I count it a privilege to work with and alongside such a strong team. Thank you to the children for demonstrating: Gratitude, Resilience, Outreach, Wonder, Trust, and Harmony in abundance throughout the year. As Ofsted said: 'It's easy to spot an Aston Rowant child!'

Thank you to the parents, carers, and wider families for your support, encouragement and dedication to the school. Your feedback particularly this last week has been humbling. It is a joy to serve a tight knit, caring community.

Staffing Structure

We are delighted to confirm the staffing teams for this year:

Hedgehog Class Mrs Olsen & Mrs Hall with Mrs Ansell and Mrs Boddy

Squirrel Class Mrs Biggin with Mrs Surman

Fox Class Mrs Healy with Mrs Pilley and Mrs Marriot

Owl Class Mr Manning with Mrs Smith

Miss Williams will be working across all of our classes delivering interventions and support as well as Forest Friday.

We were delighted to welcome Mrs Smith, an experienced class teacher, to work as TA in Owl Class.

Reports

I hope you enjoyed reading your child's report, there is a lot to celebrate! The reports are based on the learning that has taken place throughout the year and are based on a range of formative and summative assessments. The children have worked hard and have continued to flourish and progress. They are all in a great place to start next year, whether it is Year 1 or Year 7.

Results

Congratulations to all our children for their recent SATs, phonics and other assessment results. As expected, our children have done exceptionally well and even surpassed our own high expectations. As ever all of our results across the board have exceed local and national achievements. Well done to the children and staff for their hard work and effort.

Uniform

We need your support in helping us to maintain our high standards of uniform as we have recently seen standards slip. From September we will ensuring that our uniform policy is strictly adhered to. Please ensure that you adhere to the following: • Black leather school shoes – absolutely NO trainers • No nail polish • Only small red hair accessories • The correct PE kit with white or black trainers (no other colour trainers) • Only plain gold/silver studs – no hoops, no other jewellery • A small inexpensive watch can be worn but no smart watches. Please ensure that all uniform is labelled. Thank you.

Attendance

We will continue to monitor and tackle attendance levels. Our target for next year is to meet the school's and OCC's target of 97% attendance and reduce the volume of both unreported and unauthorised absence. Please note that from September we will be working closely with OCC not only looking at the whole school levels but also implementing family support plans for those with unacceptable levels of attendance. County are now ensuring that fines for holidays are implemented consistently. These will be charged per day, per child and payable per parent.

Out and About this Summer

We have recently established a link with The Book House in Thame. As books are purchased from them they will be making donations to the school – do tell them that you are from Aston Rowant School when you visit! Soon you can also buy a book from our wish list too. Also, don't forget to visit Oxton Rowant (our winning ox!) in Thame library or do the Oxtrail in Oxford.

Have a wonderful and safe summer. See you on Wednesday 4th September.

Kind regards

Mrs France

GRATITUDE

RESILIENCE

OUTREACH

WONDER

TRUST

HARMONY

Photo Diary of the Week

