

Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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Happy (not SATs) week

Dear Talented Year 6 Pupils and the equally talented Staff, Parents and Carers,

I just wanted to write to say how proud I am of you as your headteacher. Normally around now children would be doing their SATs tests for: maths; reading; spelling, punctuation and grammar. That hasn't happened but we see how hard you work. There is something we at Jennett's Park need you to know.

You are talented in many ways that any tests cannot truly test. A test can only judge you on certain things and not on what makes you special and unique. The people who design tests and who mark them do not know you like we and your families do.

They cannot tell if you are able to speak two or three languages. They do not know if you can hold a tune to sing or keep a rhythm to dance. They are not able to judge if you are excellent at sports or captivated by learning about frogs and newts. They do not know if you are always on time, give a smile to those who are in need or if you are honest and kind.

We wanted to say thank you to all the staff and family members who have helped you this year ready for your upcoming more to secondary school and to be as ready as you can be for that. One of the joys of not doing formal tests is that we can spend more time on that journey with you. Special thanks to Mr Page and Mrs Ballard and the rest of the Year 6 team. They will be smiling along with you on the next phase of your journey.

We know the work you achieve is important and that it will tell you something more about yourself as you are ready to journey onto your new secondary school, but they will not tell you everything. You know there are many ways to be successful. You are smart! Therefore, whilst you are preparing for your move onwards remember you make us proud and that we know how utterly awesome you really are.

'If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you.'

Good Luck. Yours sincerely

Elizabeth Savage Headteacher







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