

Checkendon CE Primary School

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Message from the head teacher

I leave my role as head teacher here with grateful thanks for all the opportunities I have had as part of the school community: for the comraderie of the staff teams over the years; for the support of parents and neighbours; and for the kind hearts and eager minds of the pupils of this wonderful school, past and present.

*May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rains fall soft upon your fields,
And, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

Summer highlights 2021

We were delighted that our 2021 Ofsted Report in May highlighted the impact of our values-led curriculum. *The values of courage, respect, integrity, compassion and hope are central to the Christian school's ethos. They help guide pupils to consider thoughtfully the difference they can make through their words and actions.*

Our school buildings and school grounds have been revitalised with recent improvements. Washrooms have been refurbished and classrooms re-painted; outdoor learning areas have been refurbished; and, thanks to the amazing volunteers who took part in our **Pathway Project Day**, we now have a wonderful perimeter path on the field, with wood log stepping stones and sweeping bays.

We finished the summer term with a flourish of sports, arts and culture events. Younger pupils visited Blue Tin Farm and children in Year 6 had fun at Path Hill. Pupils in all classes enjoyed participating in **Poetry Week** and our Play In A Day **A Midsummer Night's Dream**; they were *Unstoppable* for international **Sing-Up Day**; enjoyed an energetic **Sports Day**; and devised **Class Charity Fundraisers**. They got creative in **Art Workshops** led by Susannah Lovegrove and explored music from **Out Of Africa** with Emma Davies.



Dates for Your Diary

Last Day of Term 6 2:00pm	22 nd July
First Day of Term 1	2 nd September

Pictures of the Week

Rhino Class Fund raiser for WWF



Fruit kebabs are served at the Pirate Tea Party

