



Central Co-operative Learning Trust

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Dear parents and carers,

We are nearly at the end of the most unprecedented year in education that anyone can remember. Since schools closed to most pupils on 23rd March there have been enormous challenges for parents, children and teachers.

The staff of the schools in the Central Co-operative Learning Trust have been working hard to provide education for their pupils both inside and outside of school and to ensure that those pupils who have been able to attend school have been kept safe, well and happy.

However, we also know that all of you have had to work extremely hard for the past four months supporting your children with their learning at home. Many of you have done this at the same time as carrying out your normal work at home or elsewhere, or caring for younger children or older family members.

On behalf of the Trust Board we want to say congratulations on doing a great job and an enormous thank you to you all!

Thank you for supporting your children to access learning at home in a variety of ways. We know this hasn't always been easy.

Thank you for your resourcefulness and creativity in providing some wonderful learning experiences for your children. We have seen some great examples on your school twitter feeds.

Thank you for helping your children to persevere and not to give up when learning has been more tricky. We have seen so many children learning exciting new skills during lockdown with the help of their families.

Thank you for being positive and supporting your schools as we have gradually been able to open up more widely to more year groups.

Thank you for working in partnership with us and for following all the guidelines the schools have put in place to help keep everyone in the community safe. We want to reassure you that the safety of staff, pupils and families is of paramount importance to us all.

We are very excited about welcoming all the children in the Trust back to their schools in September. We say good bye, good luck and thank you to our Year 6s who leave at the end of term to move on to their high schools.

As we move towards full recovery, we know we will come through this by working closely together with empathy, understanding and kindness. Thank you for all you are doing to support our schools, children and families.

Phil Pusey
Chair of Trustees

Bernadette Hunter
Chief Executive Officer

PS Look out for a special postcard coming at the end of the holidays!