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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you all, on the sly, - your children do not know that I am contacting you – so please do not share the information below with them, as it will spoil the surprise.

In order to make next Friday as memorable as possible for the children we are inviting you into school to witness your children receiving their hoodies. Our plan is to reunite the two bubbles of children for 10 minutes at the end of the school day (in the Junior Hall), so that they can say goodbye to each other. We will keep the children there whilst we open the back gate (from the club car park) to welcome you onto the field. Once you are safely inside, standing 2m apart from each other, we will bring the children out onto the field to receive their hoodies on the staged area by the car park. This will give you a chance to give them all a round of applause as they receive their hoodies. You can also take photographs.

In order to ensure that everyone is able to stay a safe distance apart, numbers are strictly restricted to 2 adults per family (not child).

If you do not want your child to mix with the other bubble, or if you do not feel comfortable attending the short presentation, please let me know and we will arrange for your child to be given their hoodie earlier in the day and they can be collected from the front door at 3.15pm.

The car park gate will only be opened at 3.35pm once the rest of the school site is clear. The presentation should take no longer than 15 minutes.

If the weather is wet, then unfortunately we will be unable to do the presentation, as we are unable to have visitors inside the school building. If this is the case, the children will receive their hoodies in school time and will be dismissed from the fire door at 3.30pm. Staff will clap the children as they leave.

Finally, on a personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support that you have given, both the school and myself, over the last seven years. I really do hope that you have felt supported, as a parent, during your child's time at St. Mary's and that you feel that the whole school community has worked hard to support and guide your child in their educational journey, challenging them to be the best they can be – at all times. I am immensely proud of this cohort of children. They have come such a long way since their first tentative steps into the Reception classroom. They are all without doubt, lovely young people who have been a joy to teach and a credit to the school community, you their families and more importantly themselves.

I really do hope that we can come together in the Autumn term to look back and reflect upon their time at St. Mary's and to celebrate their achievements. I will be in touch, but until then -

Take care everyone; stay safe and have a lovely summer.

Kind regards

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Mrs Andrea Hymers  
Headteacher

