**Governors’ End of Year Achievements and Highlights 2018**

Each year we select some events and achievements that have been the highlights of the year and made us proud of our school.

* Another ‘Good’ rating from Ofsted
* Gold Award for PE and School Sports for the 4th year in a row and a special school sports award from High Peak. We’ve also secured funding for a new running track.
* Participating in a host of sporting activities including dance, cheer, football, orienteering, lacrosse, tag rugby, table tennis, cricket, assault courses, cycling, gymnastics, all culminating in the sporting event of the year – Sports Day – go Green Team
* Spending lots of time learning outdoors during our Forest Schools activities and garden days
* Celebrating all things Royal at our royal wedding garden party, class 2’s wedding ceremony and an unpleasant beheading in class 3
* Taking part in Shakespeare Week and enjoying The Ugly Duckling at Christmas
* Being arty using a range of techniques, including ipads, felting, charcoal, clay and 3D modelling. We particularly enjoyed making outdoor art
* Performing in front of an audience in our Brass Band Concert, playing with the Halle, the Christmas play, Cheerfest and Cheer Competitions
* Spending time at our churches (URC and Christ Church) celebrating Christianity and learning about many other faiths in our RE lessons
* Enjoying school trips to Manchester, MOSI, Blue Planet and White Hall.
* Taking part in village events (Tintwistle Show, Well Dressing, Tintwistle Gala)
* Raising money for charity – Save the Children’s Christmas Jumper Day and Children in Need

Our parent survey is now available online through our Facebook page, please do log on and share your opinions and ideas with us. We will be publishing the results of the survey early in the autumn term.

**Academic Results**

As well as enjoying lots of amazing experiences in school you’ll be relieved to hear that our pupils also work very hard in class. Congratulations to all the Y6 children who completed their Key Stage 2 SATS and well done to Mrs Vitti and all the staff for keeping them focused. The results speak for themselves.

* 100% met the standard in Reading (74% nationally)
* 91% Writing (78% nationally)
* 100% Spelling and Grammar (78%)
* 91% Maths (76%)
* 91% met the standard in Reading, Writing & Maths (61% nationally)

A number of our Y6 children achieved high scores in their tests (over 110) which is a huge achievement.

KS1 SATS are also a solid set of results for this year group.

* Reading - 67% working at, or above expected level
* Writing 60%
* Maths 73%
* 91% passed the phonics screening test

***Looking forward***

We will continue to prioritise attainment and pupil progress ensuring all our children have an opportunity to learn and reach their full potential. More details about our school’s priorities will follow in the next governor newsletter in October.

We are pleased to continue to offer wrap around childcare in the form of the breakfast and after school club. Thank you to Miss Crookes and Miss Smith-Lowe for staffing these clubs. We’d also like to thank Liz Winchcombe, Ruth Elder and Jemma Hall for running our parent and toddler sessions on Thursday mornings and organizing the PTA.

The PTA raised £1116 through a film night, the Christmas fair and raffle, spring prize draw, gala bottle stall, sports day barbeque and [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk/). These funds paid for the school poppy wreath, the Christmas pantomime, a new lunchtime gazebo, and school trip costs. Thank you to everyone who organised and supported these activities.

In January we welcomed Miss Jones to cover Mrs Richardson’s maternity leave and she very quickly settled in to Class 1. Staffing remains unchanged for September and the team is looking forwards to another successful year.

Lastly, we’d like to wish our Year 6 pupils all the best in High School, we’re sure they will continue to make us proud.

Have a fabulous summer

*Vicky Mullis Chair of Governors*on behalf of the Governing Body

***If you ever wondered what Governors do:***

The Governing Body is made up of a mixture of volunteers - parents, staff and church representatives. We meet as a team three times a year and more regularly in our committees - personnel, finance & premises and pupils & learning. Our aim is to work closely with the head teacher to raise standards and make sure the school provides a good quality education. We do not manage the day to day running of the school, we help shape its focus and direction. We ensure accountability to parents, staff and others for the school’s overall performance, support the Head and staff as well as offer constructive challenge.