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Dear Year 6 Parents/Carers,

Year 6 Leavers Day – Thursday 16 July 2020

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with more details around what we have planned for our Year 6 pupils who will be leaving Greenway this year.

As communicated with you last week, unfortunately we will not be able to accommodate parents on site for a leavers celebration (as in previous years) due to current Government guidance around large gatherings – I do appreciate how disappointing this must be particularly for those families whose association with Greenway is coming to an end but trust you understand why we are adopting this approach.

Staff have been working very hard to ensure that 16 July will be a really special day for your children and we hope that our planned activities will go some way to provide them and you with a memorable day!

Plans for the day

Graduation Ceremony

- All Year 6 children will arrive at school on 16 July at 8.45am and leave at 3.15pm. They will need to bring in a *packed lunch*, as our catering services will not be operating. They will be the only children on the school site.
- A socially distanced graduation ceremony will take place in the morning in the school hall following a few practises and this will be filmed by Mr Murray (a parent of Greenway who is a video content creator). We used his skills last year! We will communicate with you nearer the time as to how you will be able to access this video.
- Please can you complete the attached form and return it to the school office (admin@greenway.herts.sch.uk) by Friday 10 July, to give permission for your child to be filmed.

Activities

• A range of activities have been planned for your child to participate, socially distanced in groups of 10. Each activity will take an hour.

- We have hired a climbing wall, which will be installed outside and will operate in all weathers. Children will need to wear *comfortable trousers/leggings and a top with long sleeves.* The company we are using has stringent hygiene practices due to COVID, in order that your child is safe.
- The children will all take part in a silent disco.
- We have set aside an hour during the day, so that each child can sign the Tshirts of all other children in their class. We would ask that *each child brings in a white school shirt or T-shirt and permanent marker/pen.* The children will be given a pair of gloves and the clothing will be laid out at least 2 metres apart for each child to sign.
- We are asking for each child to bring in *a strong plastic bag*, so that they are able to take home a variety of items at the end of the day.

I appreciate that this year is very different, but we are aiming to provide a memorable day for our Year 6 children, which will be unique to them!

Regards

Katharine Ellwood Headteacher

