



Head Teacher: Mr R Birtwhistle Village Primary School Windsor Road Thornaby Stockton-on-Tees TS17 8PW

Tel: 01642 676768

Email: Enquiries@thevillageprimary.org.uk Website: <u>www.thevillageprimary.org.uk</u> Twitter @thornabyvillage

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy few weeks at school with lots of assessments taking place. The Y6 children took the SATs tests in their stride and showed real maturity whilst displaying a conscientious attitude. All school staff were proud of the pupils because they have worked hard all year and really listened to advice and feedback. The results will be posted to schools in early July and parents will be informed in the children's end-of-term reports. The tests are marked by assessors from all around the country and the process is very official and formal.

In Y2, the children worked hard with Mr Mansell on some 'booklets' (as we called them) and many of the children would not even have known it was a test. As I mentioned last time, children across the year group ages do tests each week and this has removed anxiety from the process. The tests are used to inform teachers about next steps rather than being a judgement of a child. Instead, the teachers use their own professional knowledge and skills to assess a child's needs.

This week, we look forward to having a **Platinum Jubilee Day on Thursday** where the children are invited to wear red, white or blue in celebration of the Queen's years on the throne. We feel it is very important for children to learn about History and important events in British life. Throughout our curriculum, the children learn about British Values including democracy, rule of Law, respect and tolerance as well as individual liberty. The curriculum that the teachers teach has been created for our children and their needs.

Yours sincerely,

1 had

R Birtwhistle. Head Teacher.



'Staff and Governors are committed to keeping children safe'.