

Dear families of Samuel Barlow and Wainwright Primary Academies,

As we approach the end of the academic year, we are thrilled to look back on the incredible journey we have embarked upon together. It has been a year filled with growth, achievement, and unforgettable moments for our children, we are delighted to share some of the highlights with you.

#### Samuel Barlow Primary Academy

- Welcoming parents into the academy for a range of events such as parents evenings, nativity performances and share the learning.
- Celebrating Samuel Barlow – 100years since he became the head teacher – this is now going to be an annual event.
- Attending Young Voices with our Samuel Barlow Singers to join the largest children's choir as well as the DAT Christmas performance.
- Strengthening our links with the community with regular visits to All Saints Church, swimming lessons and a local care home.
- A rich variety of visitors to classes for additional experiences to enhance the curriculum – the RNLI, theatre companies, the linking project between us and another school.
- Take over day – another fixture which will now be an annual event when the children swap to the adult roles.
- Identification of barriers to learning for all children with comprehensive packages of support for all children.
- Residential experiences for most children in Key Stage 2 and an adventurous day at the seaside for Key Stage 1.
- Development of our Forest School provision with the promotion of Mrs Thompson to Forest School leader.

#### Wainwright Primary Academy

- Welcoming parents into the academy for a range of events such as parent's evenings, nativity performances and PTA events.
- Celebrating our annual Ethel Wainwright day to celebrate our local history.
- Attending Young Voices to join the largest children's choir as well as the DAT Christmas performance at QEA
- Strengthening our links with the community with regular visits to and from the team at St Mary's and St Johns including the amazing bible exhibition and pilgrimages around the community.
- A rich variety of visitors to classes for additional experiences to enhance the curriculum – including the British Army, The GREAT Project and DART.
- Identification of barriers to learning for all children with comprehensive packages of support for all children.
- Residential experiences and educational visits for all year groups to extend and enhance our curriculum.
- A celebration of the Kings Coronation with bespoke bookmarks (funded by our wonderful PTA) and our garden party.

As we arrive at the end of the academic year and into a well earned summer break, we extend our gratitude to all our incredible staff, pupils, and families who have made this year exceptional.

We wish you all a wonderful summer break and are eagerly looking forward to welcoming our pupils back for another exciting year in 2023/24.

With warm regards,

**Tom Reid** Chair of Governors