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Dear Parents and carers,

The end of term is fast approaching (<u>we break up for the holidays on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July</u>). This term has flown by. The year 6 children have worked hard in their SATs and are busy preparing for their leavers' assembly this week. We also held our first Y6 MMPS Prom which was enjoyed by all.

As you know, Mrs Akhtar sadly passed away this term. We will be collecting to plant a tree in her memory and to make a donation to Marie Curie and Cancer Research in her name. If you would like to make a donation or write a few words in the remembrance book – please enquire at the school office.

Sports days were well attended by all of you and continuing with the sporting theme, our football teams have been extremely successful this term. One of our teams won an inter schools Police tournament at Dixons Allerton; they finished top of the table without losing a game. The second tournament was at Beckfoot Thornton. This was a World Cup festival for U11 boys. We had 2 teams in the tournament with both teams winning every game before meeting each other in the final. Team Nigeria vs Team Uruguay the final finished 0-0 with Team Uruguay winning on penalties.

Unfortunately, due to severe budget cuts many staff are leaving us this term. We say goodbye to Miss Ayub, Mrs Cornish, Mrs Crow, Miss Fatima, Miss Kauser, Mrs Lister, Mrs Mahmood, Mr Mann, Mrs MacDonald, Mrs Malik, Mrs Redgrave, Mrs Sherriff, Miss Thompson and Miss Zahoor.

Other staff are also leaving us for pastures new. Mrs El Kheir is taking up a headship at Newhall Park Primary; Mr Esmail is going to work in NHS ICT support; Miss Chaudhry is off to become a Phase leader in Calderdale; Mrs Rathor Khan has begun her maternity leave, as has Mrs Bi.

We wish them all the best.

We have some new and returning staff starting in September and I will introduce them to you then. I will also send out a new staffing list in September so you know who is who.

If you are buying new school uniform over the summer, please ensure that it complies with our school uniform policy. It is printed overleaf. Shoes or trainers **must** be completely black. If you have any good quality uniform that your child has grown out of we would be very grateful to receive it in school.

All school reports have been given out. If you have not collected your child's, please see your class teacher. I hope you all have a very good summer break and will see you in September.

Kind regards

Lorraine Martin Headteacher









The uniform is part of our school ethos and in coming to Margaret McMillan, parents agree to support our policy. Once children are full-time in main school they are expected to wear the following:

Green sweatshirt / cardigan — with or without school logo Yellow polo shirts — with or without school logo Dark grey trousers/ Dark grey skirt / pinafore dress Green scarf or Hijab (optional) Dark Green Salwar Kameez suit (optional) Completely Black shoes or black trainers — no bright colours Wellington boots (Outdoor optional)

## **PE uniform**

PE clothes should be stored in a drawstring bag that can be hung on their peg. These can be purchased from the school office.

Black pumps or trainers

White T shirt

Black shorts or close fit leggings.

Tracksuits may be worn during the winter months and for outdoor PE sessions. Year groups 3 to 6 have outdoor PE once a week.

## **Hairstyles**

Hairstyles should be reasonable and appropriate for being in a learning environment at school. Hair accessories should be simple and plain. Extreme hairstyles would include shaved patterns in the scalp, Mohicans and unnaturally coloured dyes. Such hairstyles are not acceptable at school children will work in isolation or sent home in extreme circumstances.

## **Jewellery**

Small stud earrings, the Muslim Tawiz, and items of religious significance may be worn. Glass and metal decorative bangles should NOT be worn to school. Hair accessories should be simple and plain. Parents who allow their children to wear expensive jewellery and/or clothing do so at their own risk.