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Dear parents/carers

The end of another busy school year is nearly here and I would like to thank everyone for the support I have received personally since becoming the Chair of the Governing Body in January. It has been a privilege to see exactly what goes into making Bourn Primary such an exciting place to teach and learn. On behalf of the Governing Body I would like to pass on our gratitude to everyone who has been involved in the school this year to make it the success it is.

The Governors have found this year to be more demanding than ever and this is not likely to get easier next year. Along with the lack of adequate funding our school is facing, the demand for high calibre teachers increases and the ability to recruit becomes a challenge. However, despite this, we have been able to appoint excellent, high quality teachers. Excellent support staff are in high demand too and we strive to find the most suitable people to help the team and pupils succeed across the curriculum. Applying for financial resources alongside other schools is competitive and necessary to maintain and improve the facilities we enjoy.

Your feedback is very important to us. This year we have used an on-line survey to gather your views. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey, the results of which will be published next term.

Finally, we would like to wish our Year 6s great success in the next step in their education wherever they go from here. This year's Class Maple proved that hard work and dedication can bring results. As part of our visits to school this year a small group of Year 6 students shared their views about SATs with some of the Governors. After starting the year not looking forward to SATs the group said they had enjoyed working hard over the year and had come away from 'SATs week' knowing they had done their best; you can't ask for more than that. Well done Class Maple and very best wishes for the years ahead.

We also thank Robin Freebairn for his contribution as a Governor over the last 10 years and wish him well for the future. Bryan Clover joins as a Community Governor and we look forward to welcoming him in September. The structure of the Governing Body is reviewed regularly to make sure we have the best skills and experience available to move the school forward.

I would like to wish you all a very happy and restful summer break and look forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely

Sharon Peer

Chair of Governors



