

## Headteacher Message

**'It always seems impossible until it's done'**

**Nelson Mandela**

What an eventful year! We will never see another year like this in our lifetime—I hope. Despite the obvious challenges this year has brought, I have thoroughly enjoyed my first year as your Headteacher at Bond Primary School. It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to serve the Bond community. Bond Primary School is the embodiment of what it means to be a community school. I am looking forward to seeing you and all of our children in September.

### **Our key successes this year:**

It is somewhat refreshing to not mention SATs results when summing up the year. Although for some of our year 6 children, they may feel that they have been deprived of a key year 6 experience. They must not worry, teachers know what you can do and have shared this with your secondary schools.

Our key success has been the fortitude displayed by the entire school community before and during the coronavirus events. This year's success is focused more around our shared values that we have had to lean on to take us through a difficult time.

**Community resilience:** We have had to pull together in a time that has forced our community to face situations and challenges that many of us would never have thought we would ever have to encounter. I am appreciative of all the support and kind words you have shared acknowledging the school's efforts during this period. I am in awe of the resilience our children have shown. They really are very special.

**Collaboration:** Our children have been astounding! At first I was heaving with so many concerns and worries. Our children deserve medals. When we have spoken to children over the phone or when they have been with us on site, they have reassured us with a level of maturity beyond their years. New friendships have been forged with older children supporting and nurturing our younger children at school, whilst other friendships have been cultivated for those children who have been accessing home learning

I am proud of my staff here at Bond. They have supported each other and worked together tirelessly to support children during lockdown whilst forging partnerships within and beyond the school to support curriculum development and planning for the autumn term. They have thoroughly enjoyed working in our 'bubbles'— the children's smiles have lifted spirits all round.

**Perseverance:** We have all developed the art and skill of not giving up during what has seemed like a relentless endurance test. You have all become teachers—our hidden recruits. I am sure that some of you are considering teaching as a profession(?). It has not been easy trying to support maths learning in a way that you were never taught. As a parent myself, I appreciate how hard it can be to teach your own child sometimes. You are our new recruits and what an outstanding team you are. Hats off to you all for persevering through this.

**Courage**—Let's not underestimate that these have been scary times for adults let alone children. We have all had to dig deep, take a deep breath and take those first steps every day not knowing what the day will bring.

I hope that this summer brings moments of joy and happiness to you all. SLT will be on site periodically throughout the summer and will be making contact with our families - we want to know that all is well and let you know that you have a listening ear should you need it. Continue to use class dojo to ask any questions and we will do our best to answer them. Have a great summer everyone!

*Miss M. Bennett*



# HAPPY WORLD BOOK DAY

This year we celebrated world book day! It was fantastic. We dressed up as our favourite characters, shared stories with our friends and took part in some fun reading activities!

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As a school, we celebrate many different cultural holidays and festivals! Here are some of the exciting things we got up to during our Diwali celebrations.

Henna!



Firework paintings!



Role-play!



Diwali dancing!



Food tasting!





# SCHOOL TRIP

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We love going on school trips!  
We have visited lots of  
different places this year,  
take a look!



Year 4 took part in a Lego workshop



Year 3 went to the Natural History Museum!



Year 3 went to the British Museum!



Year 4 went of a boat trip!



Year 1 went to the Transport Museum!



Everybody went to the cinema!



# Mental Health Wellbeing

At Bond we make sure we look after our mental and physical health. On Mental Well-being day we practise Yoga, team-building skills and had a motivational speaker!

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# Sleepover

To raise money for charity, we had a sleep-over! Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 enjoyed having Pizza for dinner, a late-night game of hide - and seek and a very early breakfast!

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