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## HAPPY EASTER





## Marching Towards Summer

## Thank You!

Hello all! Just a quick message before we all take in whatever the two week Easter break brings us. Hopefully lots of fun and sun (and chocolate!).

I was all prepared for coming back after a long absence just a few short weeks ago but I was totally unprepared for the warmth I have received from everyone on the day the BBC said they would do a 'short film' for their Breakfast programme! I would like to thank everyone for this. There is of course a special message around what happened for all schools to consider and there is definitely a need to see more defibs in public spaces. This Morning were due to be coming to us last Wednesday but unfortunately, this had to be pulled at the last minute so apologies to all those in Year 3 for this—I'm sure they will make it up to us one day. Look out for myself and two of our children live next Tuesday though. I'm sure many of you are among the 2 million views of the BBC film who saw the kindness and care shown by the boys at the front of the hall.

The list is very long of those people I need to thank. Mark King of course from the Oliver King Foundation for setting the ball rolling, ALL the children who fundraised for the defibs (and so your money as parents and guardians!), the staff who ran for help and called for the ambulance, the staff that were right there at the right time by my side and throughout the school and who organised a safe end to the term. Printing a whole staff list of names might just cover it but a special thank you to Mr Jessop and Mrs Ramsden who have more than stepped in during my absence. As for the NHS—WOW! Thank you all.

I have my own built in defib now and so I am safe. Please don't be worrying about me! I hope to get to meet with you all soon if you've not seen me as yet and apologies to all our 'new' parents, particularly those in Reception but I will be fully back after Easter and can't wait to get stuck into things again.

The school is buzzing with happy news, in particular our sporting heroes have done us proud! The children's achievements have been amazing whilst I have been away, so much progress has been made on every level. The staff can't wait for the Summer Term (everyone's favourite) to make it a year to remember for the children

I really look forward to seeing you all safe and sound after Easter and one thing I promise...I will be inviting parents and families back in to the 'Star' assembly again—remember though, it is sometimes a long wait but never be sad if it's not you....because it might be you next time! Oh, and you'll need some ear plugs.

Thank you all for your continued support!
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