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Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with huge excitement and a real sense of pride that we write to you on behalf of The Lea School Governing Body.

The Lea provides a happy, encouraging and educational environment that nurtures and challenges each child, enabling individuals to flourish in all areas. Our Pupils, Staff and Senior Leadership Team have done an excellent job of raising the profile of the school over the last academic year; making sure that every child is included and given the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Highlights from 2018/19

This year's SATs results were our best ever; an outstanding academic year.

KS2 SATS: Overall, 96% of pupils achieved the age related standard in the three core subjects combined (Reading, Writing and Maths) and 100% of pupils achieved the age related standard in Maths and Reading.

KS1 SATS: The percentage of pupils meeting the age related standard in the three core subjects rose to 72% from 62% (the average score for the previous 3 years).

We have also excelled in other areas:

- We participated in 10 of the Harpenden inter school tournaments and countless netball and football league fixtures.
- We were awarded Third Place in the Bonner Cup (awarded to small schools) at District Sports.
- We have an excellent community culture, with over 50 parent volunteers helping across the school
- 21 new children have transferred to the school as its reputation grows.
- We have hosted a Hertfordshire wide Maths Hub event in which 40 Head Teachers from Primary Schools visited The Lea to observe Mr Berry take a Year 6 Maths lesson, showcasing the superb maths teaching at The Lea.

Our School Improvement Plan

Every year our school creates a School Improvement Plan that identifies areas for growth across the school.



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This year's improvement priorities were:

- To continue raising the quality of how we teach writing in English lessons and to encourage opportunities to develop writing skills across the curriculum in order to raise levels of attainment and progress in writing.
- To further develop and strengthen the current assessment system through the use of pupil progress meetings, teacher assessment and moderation and to carefully track the progress and attainment of both individual and groups of children.
- To develop resilient and reflective learners through raising the profile and awareness of positive mental health and wellbeing

These Improvement Priorities have been continually assessed and monitored throughout the year and the Governors, Teaching Staff and Mr Berry are all confident that good progress has been made.

This confidence was reinforced by a visit from our Herts Improvement Partner who, after a full assessment of the school, concluded that The Lea was making very good progress, as evidenced by happy, articulate children and excellent results in both Key Stage 1 and 2.

Looking Ahead

It is with great anticipation that we look forward to next year. We believe the school will continue to solidify the progress made, whilst enhancing the nurturing atmosphere that makes The Lea so special.

In closing, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all. Thank you to the teachers and support staff who help to create an atmosphere that cares for every child. Thank you to our parents, carers and volunteers for your help and expertise in allowing the school be everything that it can be. Thank you to our PTA for their sterling efforts with fundraising this year. Finally, a thank you to Mr. Berry who has, in his first year, thrown himself so enthusiastically into a new environment to lead the school with ambition, excellence and purpose.

We look forward to many more good things in the next year. Wishing you all a fun filled summer!

Sharon Mansour

Beth Featherby

Co Chairs of the Board of Governors

