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## Headteacher's Update May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our pupils from across the schools and classes have enjoyed a half term full of educational trips and experiences out of school. These have included the schools residential, visits to a Roman Villa, the Synagogue and Cathedral, a dance showcase, a symphony orchestra as well as visits between schools, the local villages and museum. For all enriching experiences, requires a team effort and I would like to thank our volunteers, parents, staff and our FONS and PFA for your time and generous contributions. Thank you too to our pupils for representing our schools so brilliantly and being open-minded to new experiences.













Our work on the trust school improvement project is underway. This is providing the schools with specialist support, clarity and capacity to move forward with our school development priorities at pace. The current areas of focus are:

- establishing a sustainable system of middle leadership
- implementing a curriculum model with processes which support teachers
- providing enticing, purposeful and well-resourced environments for pupils in the Early Years

Thank you to everyone involved for your support, energy and collaboration as we work together on this re-set phase.

Thank you and good luck to Mrs Fox, who has been working at Norton and West Chinnock schools since 2017. She is starting a new challenge with the longer-term aim of becoming a teacher. She will be greatly missed by us all. She has been a kind presence for pupils, staff and parents. A huge thank you from everyone at our schools to Mrs Fox for her hard work, support, flexibility and commitment. We wish her every success and happiness.

It looks set to be an action-packed end to the summer term with sports days, trips out and time outside together. We will also welcome new reception pupils for taster sessions and bid farewell to our fantastic Year 6 leavers. The first day back is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Yours sincerely,

TB Canwell

Mr Caswell