



**Dunholme St Chad's Church of England
Primary School
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School's currently out and I'm hoping the children and staff are recharging their batteries and looking forward to a new academic year.

Our last two weeks of term were extremely busy, especially for our Year 6 pupils. They thoroughly enjoyed an activity day at Wild Pines Park, where they spent three hours in the trees, overcoming their fears on a high rope course. In the afternoon, they enjoyed archery, mini golf and a team challenge, in which they had to create a parachute to protect an egg, which was dropped from a great height.

'Climbing was obviously the best part of the day. I caused a traffic jam because my harness got stuck on a wire!' Cassie

'The instructors were great because they encouraged us when we were nervous.' Eliza



Their experiences in the wood turned out to be perfect training for them to get 'in tune with nature', which helped to make their performances of 'Robin Hood & The Sherwood Hoodies' more convincing during the final week of term.



During the same week, the Year 6s enjoyed the Leavers' disco and watched or participated in the talent show. They also had their leaving service at St Chad's church with parents and siblings present, followed by pizza, paid for by FODS. On the final day of term, they signed each other's tops and autograph books, were presented with special books of their time at St Chad's and bid emotional farewells to their Year 1 reading buddies.



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We are incredibly proud of how they have taken on roles of responsibility this year and of the high standards they have achieved. We believe they are ready for the next phase of their education in September and wish them every success in the future.

Archbishops' Young Leaders Award

We are also proud of our Year 2 and Year 4 pupils who worked hard during the final term on improving the school environment. Year 2's social action project involved litter picking and weeding the grounds at the front of the school, whilst Year 4 complete a sponsored run to raise funds to improve the sensory area and weeded the wildlife area behind the EYFS area.



Weeding



Gardening

Investing in Our School

After months of fundraising, we have managed to build a new outdoor gym complex for the children to use during break-times and lunch. This equipment will help to keep the children both in good physical and mental health. We feel very fortunate to have these facilities in our school.

The Year 2 classroom will be undergoing a refurbishment this summer too. This will enable us to create more space within the classroom itself and be able to install a media centre for the class.

We will also be installing new windows and doors throughout school to better insulate and secure the premises. Hopefully, as you go past you will think the school is looking fresher and smarter.

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