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Newsletter

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What a fantastic show!

Every year they get better and better! A HUGE well done to all the children in Classes 3, 4 and 5 who entertained us all with this year's production. I am sure you will agree they did amazingly well to learn all those lines and songs in a short few weeks; we are so very proud of them all and hope that you all enjoyed the show. Thank you so much to parents for supplying such wonderful costumes and to all the staff involved for their hours of work and preparation. Thank you also for your generous contributions to our drama collection at the end of each performance – we will have a total for you next week. There will soon be photographs on the school website for you to relive the magic all over again ~ well done children, what stars you are!

Induction Day Today

Today all children have spent part of the day with their new classes and teachers in preparation for September. We also welcome our new teacher for September, Miss Gale. I am sure the children will have lots to tell you about it. We have also welcomed our new children and families who will be starting in Reception in September and are looking forward to hearing how the Year 6 children got on at their new secondary schools too.

Annual Reports to Parents

If you have not yet returned your acknowledgment slip for your child's report, please could you do so as soon as possible, but definitely **before the end of term**. Thank you.

Payments

A reminder please that any outstanding payments should be made to the office by **MONDAY 17TH JULY**. Mrs Rule has to close down the accounts before the summer holidays so it is really important that monies and payments are up to date. **All dinner money debts have to be passed to county at the end of term so these must be cleared fully.** Many thanks for your cooperation.

Important for YEAR 2 PARENTS

Since your child started school they have been entitled to 'Universal Infant Free School Meals'. However this will cease from the end of this term so from September dinners will have to be paid for. If you think you might be entitled to benefit related free school meals please speak to the office or apply online. It is definitely worth registering because as well as free meals this entitles you to other financial assistance such as subsidised trips and music lessons.

Year 6 Leavers Service

A reminder that the Leavers Service takes place in Church at 2.15pm **NEXT TUESDAY**. Parents and families of all children, not just those of children leaving, are welcome to attend. As usual, the Governors will be serving teas in the school hall after the service for Year 6 children and their parents.

Community Lunch

Last week the children in our Young Worship group went along to the village hall to help at this month's Community Lunch. They helped to set the tables, prepare and serve food, collect plates and even wash up! They spent time chatting with all the people at the lunch and we have had some really lovely feedback about how helpful, polite and considerate they were; I was certainly very proud of them. Well done children! There are a few photos on the school website.

SPORTING VICTORY!

Last week a group of 16 children from Classes 4 and 5 went along to take part in this year's Sporting Futures Rounders tournament. They have been practising really hard all term at Miss Walker's after school rounders club and it has certainly paid off because....they came first! This a fantastic achievement, especially when they are playing against much bigger schools than us. Thank you to Miss Walker, Mr Jefferies and Miss Ingle who went along with them and to all the parents who helped with transport and gave them support and encouragement. We now have a very smart trophy in school to mark their success – well done!

Leavers v Staff Rounders Match

On Monday, weather permitting, the staff and Year 6 children will be going head to head in an end of year rounders match. This will take place straight after school at the field and you are **all very welcome** to come along and cheer everyone on. The match should start at 3.30pm and we estimate will last an hour at the very most. If you bring younger children or pre-schoolers, please ensure that they do not run around too close to the pitch as some of those Year 6s can hit that rounders ball a long way and we don't want any casualties! I think the staff are feeling especially worried this year playing champion rounders players!

Books and Badges

Following my letter on Monday, please remember that we are collecting in ALL library books, reading books, reading record books and badges. All items should be returned by tomorrow please.

SCHOOL COUNCIL CHARITY PYJAMA DAY

Raised an amazing **£179.02!** Thank you to everyone who supported School Council's efforts.

R Peddie
Headteacher

PTA SUMMER FAIR THANK YOU'S

A huge thank you to everyone that came to the recent Summer Fair. We were lucky to have good weather and had a great afternoon with lots of fun activities for the children. The climbing wall, bouncy castle and donkey rides were all really popular and we ran out of coconuts on the coconut shy in record time! Take a look at the great photos on the website to get a flavour of the afternoon.

The Summer Fair is one of the biggest PTA fundraising events of the year. Thanks to everyone who attended planning meetings, sent in donations, bought shopping, set up on the day, helped staff stalls or tidied up at the end of the fair.

I'm really grateful to the following team of people who gave so generously of their time, to help make the fair a success. We couldn't have done it without you! Dee Soden, Sasha Grady, Bindu Turner, Leanne Cutler, Steve Cook, Alissa McDonald, Niki Laws-Randall, Lucy French, Martin Stevenson, Victoria Whitley, Ollie Binda-Brown, Leanne & Carl Watson.

Thanks to the following volunteers for running fun activities and tidying up at the end of the fair Jane Rose, Jo Hughes, Lucy Foster, Faye Hall, Rachel Wilkes, Sally Hendry, Merel, Clare Allen, Kerrie Binda-Brown, Alison Lawrence, Helen Lydon, Ruth Archer, Kelly Howell, Susan Stevenson, Sharon Henley, Sara White, Alex Allenby, Hector Macinness, Sandra and Adrian Hinksman.

Thanks to Gareth Peddie for providing the wonderful food and to Jane Thake, Carol Scott & Helen Macinness for helping to serve. Thanks also to Beccy Faul and Naomi Taylor for making the packed teas.

We're very grateful for the support that we get from teaching staff. Thanks to Mrs Peddie, Mrs Rule, Mrs Sabri, Mrs Nicholls, Ms Ingle, Mrs Springall, Mrs Stewart, Ms Walker and Ms Leake for giving up your time to staff stalls. Thanks also to Mr Jeffries for being the Goalie to beat and to Mrs Harrington Smith for baking biscuits for the refreshments stall.

Thank-you to class 5 for your fun and creative games, you really added to the fun of the fair!

Thanks to Gavin from Fairlands Valley for supervising the climbing wall and to Jo from Mike's Donkeys (www.mikesdonkeys.co.uk) for bringing Pedro and Rocky. We hope you enjoyed having the donkeys at the fair, the children certainly had fun grooming and learning all about donkeys in the afternoon.

Thank you to the following local businesses for your continued support with donating raffle prizes: The Hair Shop, Toni & Guy, Pebble Beauty Sanctuary, Chesfield Downs Golf Club, Knebworth House, Fabios Gelato, Groundworks cafe, Vanity Beauty Academy, Space to Play, Chia Cafe, Amore Salon, Pots of Art, Men at Work Hairdressers.

Finally a big thank you to Louise Massie (and Penelope!) for organising the floats, counting all the money and taking bags and bags of coins to the bank. We're still finalising the exact amount raised and will let you know as soon as possible!

Nicola Allenby

FRIDAY Lollies! TOMORROW after school 50p