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## Newsletter – 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024

*Preparations for the School Play and Leavers' Party are well underway and there is lots to look forward to during the rest of this term...*

### **Booster Trip to Alton Towers – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

To say thank you and well done to all the children who attended Booster Club this year, there will be a Booster Trip to Alton Towers on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July. All pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 are invited. The bus will collect us from school at 9am and will return us to school at approximately 6pm (traffic depending).

### **Sports Afternoon – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July**

Please join us for our Sports Afternoon on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Parents are invited to spectate from 1:30pm. However, if it looks like there will be heavy rain, please contact the school office or check Parent Hub before setting off to make sure we're still going ahead.

### **Bikeability – Years 5 & 6 – Tues 9<sup>th</sup> July & Weds 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Some Year 5 / 6 pupils have been invited to participate in the Bikeability (formerly known as Cycling Proficiency) sessions on Tues 9<sup>th</sup> & Weds 10<sup>th</sup> July. Consent forms will be sent out later this week.

### **Non-uniform Day – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Please bring in bars of chocolate for the Chocolate Game at the Leavers' Party.

### **School Play Performances – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – 2pm & 6pm**

This year's school play is Alice's Adventures in Wonderland. The Juniors and Year 2s have been working very hard during rehearsals and with a white rabbit, a Derbyshire cat, a Mad Hatter and the Queen of Hearts, it promises to be a Wonderful performance. There will be two performances on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm and 6pm. Tickets will be available to purchase from the school office from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Tickets will be £3 per adult and £2 per child (aged under 16). Children under 3 are free. Please note that there will be no ticket sales on the door as we need to know numbers ahead of time, so please reserve your ticket at the school office once they are on sale.

## **Leavers' Party – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – 5:00pm-8:00pm**

Preparations for this year's Leavers' Party are coming together. The Leavers' Party is an opportunity for the whole school to join in with a big party to say goodbye and good luck to the Year 6 pupils as they move onto their various secondary schools. We will have our traditional ball race (a race of 500+ tennis balls released from the top of the hill outside school), a raffle, the lollystick game, auction, cake stall, barbecue, bar, children's games and much more. Everyone is invited! Ball race sheets have already been sent out and we will be sending out raffle tickets next week. We will also be asking for help on the various stalls on the evening of the party. If you think you may be able to help for a section of the evening, please let us know at the school office as soon as possible. The more volunteers we have, the more stalls we can run! In order to raise prizes for this wonderful evening, we are holding one more non-uniform day on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July.

## **Leavers' Party Auction and Raffle – Prizes**

The Auction board for the Leavers' Party will be displayed from a week or so before the party. We usually have fabulous prizes donated by local companies. If you know anyone or work at a company that may be able to donate a prize to our auction or raffle, please let us know at the school office as soon as possible. All donations will be very welcome! Companies who have donated to the auction or raffle can display business cards or a small poster to advertise their business.

## **School Disco Fundraising Update**

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped out at our school disco on 22<sup>nd</sup> May. A fantastic time was had by all! We raised £145 for school funds, which will be used to contribute towards school trips and other treats and essential resources for the children.

## **Gulliver's Residential**

A huge well done to the children who went on the Gulliver's residential visit. The children behaved impeccably, joined in all activities wholeheartedly and were a credit to the school.

## **Juniors – PE Kit**

Please can Juniors wear PE kit on both Tuesdays and Wednesdays so that we are able to have PE on either day and take advantage of any good weather.

## **Sunny Weather**

Please ensure that children apply sunscreen before school and bring a sun hat, sunscreen (for a midday top-up) and water bottle into school on warm, sunny days.

## **School Website**

To see some of the fantastic activities that we've been doing in school, please look at the photos on the school website. Please navigate to 'Children' and then look at the Class Galleries and the Whole School Gallery. For the Junior parents, there are lots of photos from the Gulliver's Residential to look at!

## **Diary Dates**

White Hall Paddleboarding / Canoeing – Juniors – Weds 3<sup>rd</sup> July

Booster Trip to Alton Towers -Years 4, 5 & 6 - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Sports Afternoon – Infants & Juniors - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Bikeability – Years 5 & 6 – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July & Weds 10<sup>th</sup> July

Non-uniform Day for Chocolate Bars – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

School Play Performances – 2pm & 6pm – Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> July

Leavers' Party – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Leavers' Service – 2pm in church – Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Last day of Summer term – Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> July

INSET day – Weds 4<sup>th</sup> September

Children back to school on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Term dates and INSET days for the next academic year can be viewed via the Calendar on the school website or navigate to Parents / Useful Information for the term dates summary sheet.