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First School

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Dear Parents

I think the prayers for dry weather in last week's newsletter were well and truly answered this week with the scorching weather we have had for our Sports Days! Thank you to everyone who came along to cheer the children on and enjoy a picnic time with the children. From our point of view it was a real success and we hope to repeat this next year!

Inside school this week has been incredibly busy as final assessments have been completed and pupil assessment data has been returned to the Local Authority to report to the DFE. A special mention to Mrs Sollom and Miss Abbiss who have had some "special visitors" come and validate their judgements of the children's work. Having such visitors creates some additional work with limited notice and as always the ladies were very well prepared and the visitors were pleased with the evidence presented. **Well done to all staff and children in Year 2!**

This week we have had confirmation of some building changes that will take place over the 6 weeks holidays in readiness for the new academic year. Our Nursery and Wraparound Care room as we know it will be sited up in the Year 4 mobile, which we hope to have extended slightly. An outdoor area which is solely for Nursery and Wraparound children will be created up on the field which can be used all year around. This will mean that we can offer an isolated entrance for Nursery and Wraparound children which will improve safeguarding further so that the gate doesn't need to be open when afternoon Nursery children are being dropped off or morning Nursery children being collected.

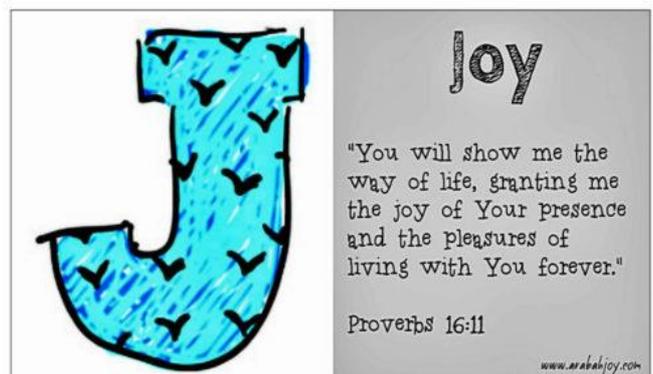
Year 4 children will move down in to the current Nursery classrooms which will be fitted out for the older children (large toilets etc). This will mean that our oldest pupils are more central to school life (and close at hand to help Miss Parker with jobs! ☺) We will be buying some new furniture and redecorating this space to make it a grown up learning base for Mr Watkins and Mr Gough's children. All plans will be set in place with a view to minimising any disruption to children in classes.

A big well done to our cricket team who were caught up in a downpour in Wombourne, meaning their matches were postponed. The children were very sensible about things being cut short! This evening we will be using our field again as we welcome Y1 and 2 pupils to the PTFA Forest School Family evening which we hope will be a lot of fun. We look forward to letting you know how this goes next week.

Have a lovely weekend. Please stay safe in the sunshine!

Best wishes

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Superstars of the week!

Class/Award	Name	Reason
N1	Aaron Kang	For his growing confidence and accessing lots of different activities.
N2	Maisie Ward	For always trying hard with her phonics and applying her knowledge in the challenges.
RB	Harrison Foxall	For a wonderful week trying his best to be engaged and taking part in lots of activities.
RP	Max Tomney	For working really hard with his extended writing. Max wrote a lovely story about a zoo!
1M	Chloe Elliman	For being a super role model to other children.
1R	Arjan Bassi	For superb writing about Ellie Simmonds using all of his literacy skills in his topic!
	Sophie Oswald	For superb writing about Ellie Simmonds using all of her literacy skills in her topic!
2A	Rahul Kauldhar	For showing great enthusiasm on our trip. He was a fantastic explorer!
2S	Edward Riley	For being a superstar in Maths and using different strategies to solve number problems.
3HW	Thomas Purchase	For excellent using and applying skills in division, this week.
3P	Maisie Vandriel	For fantastic work in Maths this week focusing on division.
4C	Jack Jones	For an excellent understanding of the bus stop method for short division.
4S	Violet Flynn-Jones	For her enthusiasm and effort continually improving in her performance in our play, especially acting and singing!
Sportsperson of the week	Harrison Cartwright	For being an excellent runner with a good attitude at Sports Day this week, you were very fast indeed!
Chair of Governors Award	Sienna Rogers	This week in a monitoring visit, Mr Jevons saw Sienna re-tell the story of The Snail and The Whale! Sienna was captivating!

Summer Fayre and Dancing News!

Don't forget we have our Summer Fayre at school next Friday (30th June). There are lots of exciting things for the children to have a go at and it is sure to be a lot of fun (especially if this lovely weather continues). As in previous years the year groups will be doing dances that they have learnt with Mrs Carey. This year they are linked to the theme of the British Values, something that we teach children about in school. **The dances will begin at 6.30pm and will be carried out in year group order, starting with Nursery and Reception.** We will not start them before 6.30pm so as to allow everyone to be here in time to take part.

If we have torrential rain (it has happened before), we may need to cancel the dances, although this will be avoided where possible. I will announce the dances beginning on the microphone, however it is parents' responsibility to have their child down on the playground for the 6.30pm start if they are to take part. I am unable to search the grounds gathering children for the dance. Children can come to the Summer Fayre in their own clothes. There are no costumes needed for the dances. Finally a big thank you for all of the donations sent in last Friday. The PTFA were overwhelmed by your generosity and support and the Fayre is set to be a success!



School Nurse Healthy Lunchbox Workshop

Friday 14th July at 14:45

As part of our Healthy Schools Week in school, we are delighted to announce that we have teamed up with the School Nurses to organise a Healthy Lunchbox Workshop. This is a great opportunity for you to come along and receive advice about how to encourage your child to eat a healthy balanced diet and gain some handy tips on what your child needs to fuel them for their busy day in school.

If you would like to join us for this event and have a chance to speak to the school nursing team about any dietary needs, please just come along! There is no charge for the workshop and we hope that you are able to join us for this event.