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Newsletter

Y6 SATS

Well done to all the Year 6 children for working so hard this week and trying their best with the SATs papers. The papers have been submitted for external marking and children should receive their results at the end of the summer term. They can now look forward to enjoying their last few weeks at Stretton Handley and preparing for their move to secondary school.

Whole school visit - Eureka, Halifax July 11th

Please return permission slips for Eureka as soon as possible (even if you are paying in instalments) so that we can decide if the trip will be viable and confirm with the museum and coach company. We will make a decision by the end of next week if the trip will be going ahead. Thank you.

Helicopter – Aerial photographs – 12th June

The helicopter will be flying over Derbyshire schools on Tuesday 12th June and over our school at 10.00am precisely! We have to be ready with our Olympic ring formation on the school field for an aerial photograph to be taken. This will be presented to school as a memento of London 2012.

Olympic torch – 29th June

The whole school will be going by coach on Friday 29th June to watch the Olympic torch passing through on its way to London. Over 800 children from local schools will be joining in this 'once in a life time' opportunity. Please send your child with a water proof coat, water bottle and biscuit snack, as we will not be back in school until 12.45pm for a late lunch. School is paying the cost of the coach for this event £250 (NB. No swimming on 29th June.)

Griffin Theatre group – Class 1

Class 1 had a great time on Wednesday afternoon with the Griffin theatre Arts workshop. It seems there are some budding actors in the group!

Class 2 and 3 – Partake theatre group takes place on Tuesday 19th June.

School Jubilee Celebration – Thursday 31st May pm.

Thank you to those who have already sent goods for the tombola on 'Jubilee' celebration afternoon. Please send in anything that may be suitable for prizes but please check sell by dates as we cannot use out of date goods. Thank you very much. Please note that we cannot accept any further requests to join the 'street party'. Food has already been ordered from the suppliers for those who requested and paid for adult lunches before the extended deadline.

'teachers2parents' texting service.

We have the opportunity to extend this service, whereby parents can pay dinner money, trip money etc using a secure and easy-to-use online payment system. Feedback from other schools using the service has been excellent

- Easy management and collection of dinner money
- Simplicity in which payments can be set up
- Payment reminders sent automatically
- Positive response from parents in terms of security and convenience

We would like to find out if our parents would be interested in such a system and then we can have a trial period to see what you think. **Please complete the attached slip so we can decide if this service would be useful.**

September 2012 Reception Induction

Letters have been sent out to the new intake. Induction afternoons are planned for Thursdays from June 14th upto July 12th. The new children will be joining Class 1 for activities and also staying for some school lunches.

Bags2School collection

There will be a Bags2School collection on Wednesday 27th June to raise funds for school. If you have any old clothes, soft furnishings, bedding, shoes etc please save these to help with fund raising. Bags will be sent home as soon as they come into school. Thank you

Y6 transition to Swanwick Hall

More detailed information will be sent directly to parents the week before half term.

Sex Education – Class 3

Monday 28th May at 3.30pm – meeting for parents with the school nurse to share some of the materials and ask any questions.

Clay cross and District Music Festival

There are still some slips outstanding. Please let us know if you would like your child to take part **or not** and are able to make the commitment to the rehearsals. As in previous years, for our school to be able to participate we ask parents to arrange transport for their child if they wish to take part. As more schools are taking part this year places are limited and September Y4 will be offered spare places on a first come first served basis. Look out for letters next week.

Safety Crew – June 20th

School is paying for the coach to take Y5 and Y6 children to Safety crew in Chesterfield on June 20th. They will have an early lunch and be back at school slightly later than normal to be collected at 3.45pm.

Quatercentenary of the King James Bible

The Department for Education has arranged for all schools to receive an anniversary copy of the King James Bible: 'The book that changed the world'. This has been placed in our contemplation area in the hall. For more information about the King James Bible project www.education.gov.uk/kingjamesbible.

Yours faithfully,

Julie Dunbar
Headteacher

Secure Online Payment

Name: _____ Class: _____

I / we would / would not be interested in an secure on-line payment system for the collection of dinner money / trip money etc.

Signed: _____

date: _____