



Dear Parents,

In just four weeks, we have managed to achieve so much at Leasowes. As previously explained, the month of May is an extremely busy time in the academic calendar. Year 2 have been on their Secret Agent Training - secret code name SATs. The children were attentive, focused and will make fantastic Secret Agents in the future! Year 6 children, who completed all of their tests in four days, were organised, well prepared and attacked the papers demonstrating their courage and aspiration to do their very best. All the pupils used the experience as a celebration of all the learning that has taken place. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff involved.

By now, you should have received a letter from Mr Smith, our Chair of Governors, informing you of the commencement of the building work. This is an extremely exciting time and many actions have already been put into place. On our return, I will be launching the new half term with an assembly to discuss the project and Health and Safety of the site. Of course, the site will be secured and completely out of bounds to anyone in school. We will be taking photographs throughout and displaying them on the website for all to follow the project as it progresses. Thank you to the parents of our Nursery and our before and after school provision children, for supporting us with the short-term arrangements whilst the work takes place. I need to give a special mention to Mr Follows, our extremely talented Caretaker, and the Nursery staff who have worked tirelessly since we had the go ahead. I will endeavour to keep you all updated as we move through the project and look forward to further improving the Leasowes School Community.

Yes, it is that time of year again when the PTFA are busy preparing the annual Summer Fayre. I have placed an order for the weather as we have been blessed for the previous couple of years! The Summer Fayre will take place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June. The Fayre will run from 11am – 2pm. There are many stalls, fun activities, food, tattoos and even a beach for you to enjoy. This takes lots of preparation, so please save the date and try and support the school. We look forward to seeing you all there armed with your buckets and spades!

We are fast approaching the second half of the summer term. This is a busy term with lots of events taking place. Sports day is always a popular event and I have placed the dates overleaf for you to put into your diary. Please remember, all the school dates can be found on our website.

As always, it is really important that we communicate effectively with you about your children. Therefore, if you have a query about your child, the best person to initially contact is the class teacher. If you feel you need to speak to someone more senior, please contact the phase leaders. The phase leaders know their departments well and share information at Senior Leadership Meetings with Mr Coombs and myself.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs Bettany  
Headteacher

#### Safeguarding of our Children and Community

Leasowes is situated in a busy residential area and key drop off and pick up times can be hectic. I am regularly receiving complaints from the community re parking across driveways and on grass verges where the children walk. Please be mindful of the community and please ensure the safeguarding of our children.

Let's work together!

Together we learn. Together we grow.

As you know, I love to share some of the achievements of our children outside of school. Oliver Fowler and Harry Trubshaw were part of the winning football under 9s Stafford Atletico football team at the National ESF 2019 football tournament in Skegness. There were 28 teams that took part and the boys were rewarded for their efforts by receiving the winners' cup from the one and only Kevin Keegan! We now wish them all the very best in the National Finals on the 7<sup>th</sup> July at St Georges Park.  
Come on Boys!



### Fish and Quiz

Congratulations to 'The Cod Squad' who were the winners of our ever-popular Fish n Quiz. The night was thoroughly enjoyed by all and we hope to run another in the new academic year. Thank you to all who attended.



## wellbeing wonder

Enjoy a picnic with your family

### Fun in the Sun

We are finally starting to feel warmer weather and are hoping for a good summer to allow the children to play in the sun. Please remember to send in water bottles, hats and apply suncream in the morning to keep our children well protected. In addition, this is a time when children may need medication for hayfever. On advice, school are only allowed to administer medication prescribed by a doctor. However, you are able to administer the medication before and after school.  
Thank you for your ongoing support.



### Sports Day Dates

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Year 3/4  
9.15am

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Year 5/6  
1.45pm

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Reception  
9.15am

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Nursery  
10.30am

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1/2  
1.45pm

Please note that **KS2 classes** will enter via the gate on Bodmin Avenue

### PTFA

The PTFA consists of a small number of parents, led by the Chair, Lorraine Banks, who actively work in raising much-needed funds for the school. We as a school are very lucky to have this support and in the last 9 years, the school has benefitted in receiving funds of over £55,000 from efforts of the PTFA. We are excited to announce that the PTFA has just placed an order for a new trim trail for the KS2 bark area, which will hopefully be fully installed before the Summer break. The PTFA are now busy fundraising for a multi-purpose track for around the field area of the school.

However, the PTFA are now worried about the longevity of the PTFA due to various committee members and officers looking to move on next school year due to their children moving onto high school. Our chair has agreed to stay on even though her daughter is leaving Leasowes in July in order to try and invite more parents to become committee officers, members and general helpers. The PTFA, at the end of July, will be losing their vice-chair and secretary and need volunteers who could fill these roles.

If anyone is interested, please contact Lorraine Banks on 07971 692776 or by email at [leasowesptfa@gmail.com](mailto:leasowesptfa@gmail.com)