



Dear Parents,

It is frightening how quickly the school year seems to have passed us by as we are now firmly in July. I cannot believe how many activities and opportunities we manage to pack in during the academic year and the last few weeks are no exception. A huge well done to the PTFA for organising such a super Summer Fayre! This took place on a Saturday for the first time and was so well received by all. Thank you for all of the lovely comments. The weather was absolutely superb and we managed to raise a huge £3,296.50. Hopefully you all managed to read the PTFA newsletter to find out where some of that money is being spent.

As well as a successful Summer Fayre, we have also managed to run all of our sports days without any cancellations. These were brilliantly organised and all children had lots of fun whilst earning points for their house teams. Once again, thank you for supporting the children during their sports days as they do love to see you cheer them on. See overleaf for the final results.

I have had a few parents ask about uniform, in particular ties. Firstly, I have updated the information on the website about uniform; you will find this under the 'About us' section and by selecting the 'Uniform' button. Secondly, in September children who are having a tie provided by the Governors will arrive the first day back with just their white shirt. Over the week, the Governors will present the ties to the children. Once they have been presented, all will be expected to wear them. Remember, all the rest of the uniform, with the exception of shirts, ties, shoes, hair, jewellery and accessories, is not compulsory until September 2018.

As it nears the end of term, with only two weeks to go, children are starting to get tired and some are ready for a break. We have lots of learning still left to do so please encourage children to get to school on time after a good night's sleep ready to learn. Look out for a letter with information about your child's teacher for the next academic year.

As always, if you have a query about your child, the best person to initially contact is the class teacher or the phase leader. If you feel you need to speak to myself or Mr Coombs, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your on-going support,

Mrs Bettany  
Headteacher

### Glory Gold Sports Mark!

As most of you recall, in one of our May newsletters I announced that we have now been recognised as a 'PE Hub of Excellence'. This is a really exciting venture for us as a school, but we are never happy to just stop there. Therefore, it gives me great pleasure to tell you that Leasowes has, only last week, been awarded the 'Gold School Games Mark'. This recognition is greatly received as it is really difficult to achieve. We have never been awarded this before and are one of the few schools in Staffordshire to gain this prestigious award. We will be presented with a plaque that we can proudly display and we will include the logo on our website.

American Diner  
Year 6 Leavers' Lunch

Frankfurter Hotdogs  
Beefburgers  
Margherita Pizza  
Macaroni Cheese  
Chips  
Beans  
Sweetcorn

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Chocolate Brownie  
Waffles with Syrup

All outstanding lunch money to be paid in full by the 17<sup>th</sup> July please.

**Sports Day Results**

After several successful sports days, here are the overall house team results.

1<sup>st</sup> Place - Otters

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Beavers

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Foxes

4<sup>th</sup> Place - Squirrels

Well done to all pupils that took part in the activities. Look out for the new house names this September!



**Year 6 Performances and Leavers' Assembly**

There will be two Year 6 performances held on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of July. Doors will open at 5.45pm where the PTFA will serve refreshments as well as a raffle. The leavers' day service will take place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 9am. This service is for parents to attend if they wish. In the afternoon, the Year 6 children will be having a BBQ and other fun activities just for them. This will finish in time for the end of school. A letter confirming details will be sent out to parents.

**Homework**

By now you should have all received a homework questionnaire compiled by our Parents Forum. This is your chance to give us your views about homework before we improve the policy. Please complete the questionnaire by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> and return to the class teacher.

# Enjoyment

KS2 Disco: Friday 14th July 2017  
6.30pm - 8.00pm

**Year 6 Virgin Fiver Challenge Success!**

As part of the maths lessons in the month of June, the children embarked on the Virgin Fiver Challenge - a young enterprise project. Week 1 was all about establishing their groups, their business idea and their company logo. They also had to complete market research to see if the school community liked their idea and would buy their products. During Week 2, the children had to pitch their ideas to the PTFA to persuade them to lend each child £5 (approximately £20 a group) as a start-up cost, which the children will pay back at the end (if they make a profit). The PTFA were delighted to support the Year 6 enterprise scheme this year. They even had "Dragons' Den" moments, hearing all their amazing ideas and pitches. All the participants displayed great acumen and entrepreneurial spirit.

In Week 3, the children have learned about finances and marketing and had to design a business plan that would ensure a profit, and record a television advert. The final week was all about buying the resources needed to make their products and designing their stall. On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June, the children carried out their Enterprise fair to their parents and classes in Y3-5. The investment from PTFA has been worth it with extremely healthy returns. The project created £700 profit for the children to use for their final day celebrations. Each week there has been a weekly competition to work towards, and now they are ready to enter the national competition.

Well Done Year 6!