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Over the past 3 years our motto has been 'Inspire, Challenge, Succeed'.

When planning with teachers and looking at our curriculum it is a constant focus – this week was another example of where I was really thrilled to see every class living up to this.

Year 5 and 6 children who took part in the Bikeability from Monday to Thursday, despite the challenge of raining all day every day did fantastically well and all passed with flying colours. The instructors, when leaving, complimented the school by saying how impressed they were with their mature attitudes and support of each other.

Also in Year 5 and 6 it is great to see their production of A Mid-Summer Night's Dream coming together –it is great listening to the songs coming through the office wall whilst typing this.

Years 1, 2, 3, 4 who went to Warwick Castle this week had a fantastic experience – the follow up work from this in class is equally amazing. Feedback from every child I spoke to said how much they enjoyed the trip, especially the birds of prey, but how tired they are now! Once again, a massive thank-you to the PTA who paid for 30% of the cost of this trip.

Next week, we have the Dance Club performing at the Derngate theatre, which is an annual highlight and another example of children succeeding once given the right inspiration and challenge.

PTA

The school fete will be on Saturday 20th July 12.00-4.00pm. We will be having the school hall grand opening and of course dancing from all classes in the school. The fete will have a space theme to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing. There will be lots of space activities and games for the children and a wide range of stalls including cakes, BBQ and a licenced bar. There will be a great raffle including a top prize of a family ticket to see Marvel Universe Live at the O2 Arena on 28th September. If you have any items which could be used for the tombola or for raffle prizes, please could these be dropped off to the office. We will also start to collect filled jam jars which will be used in the tombola. Please could you fill an empty jam jar with small gifts – pens, hair bobbles, toys, sweets – anything you fancy! You can drop these off to the office. Thanks.

Parent Pay

If you have not already done so, please can you activate your Parentpay account. From 1st April, any charges for clubs, music lessons or trips will be payable through this system. School Meals have also joined this so all orders and payments for meals will be placed through this system too. If you have any problems logging on or using the account, please speak to Miss Rawden in the office. School Meal bookings need to be placed by Tuesday for the following week.

Music

We are currently organising the music tuition for September. If your child currently has music lessons they will have brought a letter home asking if they wish to carry on with this. Please could you return these to the office as soon as possible. If your child is interested in starting to learn an instrument please contact the office for details. We currently offer lessons in violin, cello, viola, keyboard, guitar, flute and clarinet. The charge for music lessons from September will be £73 per term of 11 lessons (33 lessons in total per year).

Ugandan school update

It's been a few weeks since Captain Graham and Jane Smith delivered the children's T-shirts to our partner school in Uganda. Whilst they were there, they were able to see their new school in action, meet the pupils and the head teacher and, of course, deliver our T-shirts personally to them. We sent out nearly 120 T-shirts this time and the Ugandan children were absolutely delighted with them. Thank you again for your fantastic support. Jane and Graham will be back in school towards the end of June to show us some pictures and a video of their trip and to tell us all about their time there.

After School Clubs

Monday night Construction Club from 3.15-4.30pm – cost £2

Tuesday night – Art and Crafts (KS1 focus) – cost £2

Wednesday night – Computer Club from 3.15-4.30pm – cost £2

Thursday night – Art and Crafts (KS2) – cost £2

Friday Night – Film Night – 3.15-5.30 pm - cost £3

Children are welcome to stay at After School Club until 5.30pm. Charge for this is £3.80.

Please contact the office if you would like more information or to book.

Breakfast Club – every day from 8am – cost is £3 per session

Dates for the Diary

String music lessons – every Wednesday, Guitar music lessons – every Tuesday, Keyboard/flute lessons – every Thursday

PE – Please bring PE kit in to school every day, PE lessons will be weather dependent.

Celebration Assemblies - Friday

Hotshots – Every Tuesday – 8am

Dance Club – Every Wednesday after school

Kiwi Class – First Access Guitars – every Wednesday

Monday 17th June – extra Dance Club practice after school in hall

Tuesday 18th June – Friday 21st June – Chenderit Transition for Yr 6s

Tuesday 18th June – Derngate Festival – Dance Club

Wednesday 19th June – No Dance Club

Wednesday 19th June – Yr 6 Able Readers session at Byfield School (ends 4.30pm)

Thursday 20th June - swimming

Wednesday 3rd July – Friday 5th July – Owl Class Residential

Friday 12th July – reports due to be issued

Monday 15th July – Sports Day first race 1.30pm (backup date if raining July 22nd)

Wednesday 17th July – Owl Production to parents (afternoon and evening)

Wednesday 17th July – Parents Evening Drop-ins (if you wish to discuss Reports)

Saturday 20th July – school fete 12-4PM **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

Wednesday 24th July – Leavers Assembly

Wednesday 24th July – school closes for summer break **End of term picnic**