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Dear Parents,

We are coming to the end of a very exciting year at Twineham with lots of successes both in the sporting world and at other events. We have enjoyed some exciting fun packed themed weeks and some great trips and the children have continued to achieve and be excited by their learning. I have had a great year here and am looking forward to continuing to move the school forward during the next academic year.

We are not only going to be saying goodbye to our Year 6 children but we are also saying goodbye to:

Miss Spooner; thank you for inspiring the children and us during environment week, we wish you all the very best as you move on to the next stage in your career.

Mrs French; thank you for giving the children in Buttercups Class the best start to their education and we hope to see you here again soon on supply.

Mrs Bradbury; happy retirement and we are looking forward to welcoming you back again in September!

Dates

Please find below the important dates for the rest of this term:

Thursday 9th July– Music Trail- Ivy Class will be sharing their musical expertise out in the field from 2.30pm.

Friday 10th July – whole school trip to Groombridge- many thanks to FOTS who have very kindly paid for the coaches for this trip

Monday 13th July – 2.15pm staff/parents v children stoolball match- please let Charlie Nugent-Harvey know if you would like to participate. All very welcome to come along and cheer.

Tuesday 14th July- Y6 Leavers Service at Worth Abbey 1.30pm

Tuesday 14th July- Leavers disco 5.30-7.00pm at Sayers Common Hall – organised by the FOTs

Wednesday 15th July- School Olympics at Oathall School (all day)

Thursday 16th July- Ivy Class visiting South of England Showground for Countryside Day (all day)

Friday 17th July- Ivy Class sleepover from 3.00pm

Monday 20th July- 2.45-3.45pm; please come and share your child's work. As mentioned previously due to Ofsted wanting to see children's books we will be keeping all the children's books at the end of term.

Wednesday 22nd July- 9.00am service to say goodbye to Miss Spooner and Mrs French and happy retirement to Mrs Bradbury. If the weather is good we will hold this service outside; you are all very welcome to attend. If it is wet we will hold the service in the hall; unfortunately there will not be room for parents.

Wednesday 2nd July- Y6 Leavers service in the Church- 2.00pm

Speed on lane

Please can I respectfully remind you to take care when picking up and dropping off. As you know the school is on a very narrow lane with no pavement and there may be children walking on the road. Please can you take extra care and keep your speed down as we do not want any accidents. Thank you.

Picking up late

Please can I remind you that picking up time is 3.00pm. I appreciate the lane does get very busy and you sometimes get stuck coming up the road but please bear that in mind. Thank you for your co-operation.

Nears Superstars

On Friday four members of Ivy and four of Holly Class went to Balcombe School to be part of the sports event being held there which was organised as part of the Sainsbury's School Games award. It involved an obstacle run, (once on the objects and once round the field) skills such as ball rolling to reach the target, chest passes against the wall, basketball to get as many as you can in the hoop in one minute, tennis to bounce the ball up and down, cricket to hit the stumps, new age curling and many more.

At end of the day every one enjoyed themselves and congratulations to Balcombe who won, everyone did very well and we all took part in all events.

Written by Sophie (placed 3rd individually) and Bear

Festival of Sport

On Friday 19th June the school held a sport festival planed by Mrs Stafford. At the festival of sport there were 6 different schools partaking there were 10 stations that we had to for take part in. All the school were in different teams and the teams were named after Wimbledon players chosen because Wimbledon will soon be on.

The 1st station was throwing and catching, for the 2nd task we had a station on running past/weaving through some poles and to try and see how many runs we got. The 3rd task was that you had two parallel sides and you had to move each of the four balls to the opposite side. The 4th task was to throw 4 bean bags at a target and get as many points as possible for your team. The 5th task was to bounce a ball on a tennis racket and go round a cone. The 6th task was to hit a cricket wicket with a tennis ball every time you hit the wicket you scored a point. The 7th task was a tigger jump where you had to jump over a rod 10 times. The 8th task was to roll and throw a ball and run after it.

The team was Charlotte, Ellie, Siobhan, Nell, Alex, Eva, Ella, Eti, Annabelle and Martha.

Written by Siobhan and Charlotte

Stoolball Tournament

On Tuesday 23rd June the Twineham school representatives set off to a Stall-ball tournament hosted by Bolney Primary School.

The coaches, Mrs Birkby, Mrs Nugent-Harvey and Mr Haydon-Corrie (also known as Jen, Charlie and John), were very supportive of the team and never failed to encourage them. In the final presentation, Twineham team's placing was 7/8 which was a reasonable score considering the competitors that they had to play against were very good and experienced Teams

The children included were:

Bear Nugent-Harvey, the captain, Evie Tighe, vice-captain Ella Spearing, Holly Brook-Nash, Maud Brook-Nash, Harriet Birkby, Ralph Birkby, Ava Haydon-Corrie, Ethan Amaya, Ethan Hardaway and Woody Nugent-Harvey.

The team were pleased with their score and had a lot of fun.

Environment week

Wow! What an exciting week we have just had. The children enjoyed a variety of activities such as pond dipping, outdoor art, making clay tiles, Bio blitz and Bushcraft. Many thanks to FOTS for giving us a donation towards the cost of having Bushcraft in-the children have really enjoyed finding out about how to survive in our local environment including making shelters, making fire and eating stinging nettles! I hope you enjoyed coming in to see what we had been doing during the week. Please take the time to look at the school website – Mrs Killick is regularly updating it with pictures of what the children have been doing.

<u>Ofsted</u>

You may have heard that Ofsted have removed many of their inspectors who were not up to the job- many were not qualified teachers and many had never taken on a management role within the school. They have also published a new framework that takes affect from September 2015; this is more rigorous and requires schools to be better than previously was required to be graded as 'good'. We continue to ensure that the children receive the best possible education here and will be ready for Ofsted when they pay us their next visit!

Book amnesty

We have recently had an audit carried out by the library service on our books in school and we have found we have about 40 library books missing! We may be charged for these books.

Please can you have a good look at home for any books that either have the school stamp in them or a library service form at the front and return them to school. There will be no questions asked!

Many thanks

Friends of Twineham

Firstly a big thank you to everyone that helped and came along to the Summer Fair last Friday!! We hope you all had a good time!! Extra thanks must go to our very kind sponsors - Howden Joinery

Setfords Solicitors

JK Theatre Arts

Who donated a fabulous £500 between them.

Thank you also to home park farm for the use of their play equipment!

If you are in need any of these companies please mention Twineham School.

The profit this year is £1,773.29 with one more receipt to pay for the BBQ.

We still have 2 raffle prizes for a Mrs Brown and Janet Farmer, I will leave them with Gemma in the office.

The tea's and coffee's at the sports day raised £35.85, thank you!!

This coming Tuesday 14th July is our schools out for the summer disco from 5.30-7pm at Sayers Common Village Hall. Entrance = \pounds 3 per child to include disco by Tomfoolery a hotdog & squash. Sweets, tattoos, etc will be on offer at a small cost so please send your children with a few coins to spend (e.g. 20ps/50ps). This is our last event this academic year, please let me know if you are able to offer help at the disco. Many thanks

I hope you all have a fantastic, safe summer break and I look forward to welcoming you all back in school on Monday September 7th.

Regards

Mrs Jill Dawson