# FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Governors



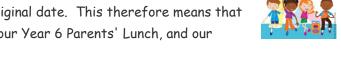
Tomorrow sees the return of our wonderful PTA Summer Festival. The Summer Fayre and all its stalls will be open from midday until 2pm and

then our now traditional music festival will continue until 4pm. Why not come along and have lots of fun whilst raising much needed funds for our children.

Many thanks to all those parents who supported us yesterday when the children brought bottles into school in order to be able to wear non-uniform. If you would like to support further then you can sign up to help on our PTA website https://www.pta-events.co.uk/four-oaks-primary/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=39803#.Yp4dyPPMKt8. Any help packing away is gratefully received.

# Y6 Leavers' Assembly, Parents' Lunch & Evening Barbeque and Party

Due to circumstances beyond our control, we have had to move our Year 6 Leavers celebrations. We still want to invite Year 6 parents in on this special day to have lunch with their children, and due to restrictions on food deliveries we now cannot stick to our original date. This therefore means that our Year 6 Leavers' Assembly to which parents are invited, our Year 6 Parents' Lunch, and our Leavers BBQ and Disco will now be on Thursday 14th July.



We apologise for any inconvenience.

# Staffing News

At this point I have to remind parents that sadly we will see Mrs. Boughton leaving us at the end of this academic year as she heads off to the Shrubbery to take on the Deputy Headship. I wish her all the very best as she starts a new adventure and we hope to see her at some point in the future when she drops in to say hello.

We are also excited to announce that we will have two new experienced teachers joining us in September Miss Cooper and Mrs Skelding. We are sure you will welcome them into our Four Oaks Family.

#### Reports to Parents—Tuesday 28th June

Just a heads up for all parents that your children's reports will be available for you to access and read from the evening of Tuesday 28th June. You will receive an email invitation. If you have already used Classroom Monitor, you will already have an account set up. You simply need to follow the link on the invitation and use your previously set up password.

# Induction Day - Wednesday 6th July

On Wednesday 6th July most of our departing Year 6 pupils will have the chance to spend a day at their new secondary schools and so we traditionally take the opportunity to move all of our children up one year to spend a day in their new classrooms. During this day they will have a chance to get to know their new teachers and will learn a little about what is in store for them next year.

### Reception Trip to Tamworth Castle & Y3 Trip to Cannock Chase

Last week our Reception pupils and Year 3 pupils all went off on their adventures. A huge thank you to all the parents who volunteered to go along and so made these exciting visits possible.







#### Y4 to Legoland Windsor

Next week our very excited Year 4 pupils are off on their trip to Legoland Windsor with staff and parents. We are sure they will have a fantastic time and be able to weave their exciting experiences into their learning on their return.



# **Y2 School Trips**

Year 2 had a great time exploring at Hill Hook on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. Their next adventure will be on Tuesday 19th July when they are off to Dudley Zoo. We hope they have a lovely time. Can parents please pay for this trip via SchoolMoney and make sure they get the sandwich orders in as soon as possible please.

#### Y5 to Boreatton Park

It's been a long time coming but next Friday sees our Year 5 residential trip to PGL Boreatton Park happening. The children will leave at some time between 1.45pm and 2.00pm on Friday afternoon and will return between 3.30pm and 4pm on the following Monday afternoon. Year 5 parents are more than welcome to come along and wave us off on the Friday afternoon but I would ask them not to park anywhere close to school as the coach will need room to manoeuvre and load all of the children's cases. Please keep your eye on the school Twitter account for photos and news of this exciting weekend!

#### **Area Sports Results**

Last Wednesday saw Mrs Rowberry, Mrs Atherton, Mrs Todd and myself take over 40 children to Wyndley track to represent the school in the Sutton Coldfield Area Sports event. It was the first time in three years that this had been held and the children were very excited. An afternoon of sunshine saw every single child perform to the best of their ability and at the end of the afternoon Four Oaks came 5th in the track events, 2nd in the field events and therefore 4th overall. A huge well done to everyone who took part and a thank you to any parents who came along to support!

#### Y5 Maths Team at KES Competition Final

On Wednesday the Year 5 Maths Team went off to King Edwards in Edgbaston to take part in the final of this city-wide event. Having won their heat earlier in the year they were now pitted against some other very strong teams. They did superbly well during the afternoon having to use their mathematical skills at speed and came away from the event in 3rd place out of 12 schools!

#### SATs Results

The Year 6 KS2 SATs results are due to be sent back to school on Tuesday  $5^{th}$  July. As soon as we receive them we will let the children know exactly how they have done and they will let parents know. These results will also be sent home with the children later in the term.

#### PTA Ice Cream Sale

A huge thank you to the members of the PTA Committee who kindly sold ice-creams after school last Friday. By the time everyone had gone off to find some shade, 259 ice-creams had been sold! All proceeds from these sales comes straight back into school to spend on resources for the children. Thanks to everyone who purchased a cooling ice-cream!



# French Day—Thursday 7th July

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July we will be having a 'French Day' in school, and we would ask the children to come to school wearing clothing that has red, white and blue in it to reflect the French flag. On this day the children will be immersing themselves in all things French to reflect some of their learning in school. In Key Stage 2 all children have French lessons as part of the curriculum, and this is also a chance for our Infant pupils to be exposed to some simple words and culture from a foreign country. We hope the children will really enjoy the day!



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Bumblebees	The Whole Class
Ladybirds	The Whole Class
Owls	Harry C.
Hedgehogs	Zac
Turtles	Katie
Sharks	Sophia
3B	Not awarded -school trip
3E	Not awarded—school trip
4B	Khadijah
4R	Joshua
5 <i>C</i>	Oliver D
5ST	Isaac
6B	Joseph
6E	Aimee

Bumblebees	Amelia
Ladybirds	Landi
Owls	Dominic
Hedgehogs	Sulayman
Turtles	Daya S.
Sharks	The Whole Class
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**3B** Ezra 3E Charlie **4B** Daniel 4R Frankie 5*C* Avani **5**ST Oliver G. 6B Hannah G. 6E Arish /Greg

# Courtesy Cup Winners ~ Last Week

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Reception	Jaya / Rudy
Year 1	Alena / Elliot
Year 2	Jordan / Callum
Year 3	Not awarded—school trip
Year 4	Nicole / Elise
Year 5	Hasan / Kimran
Year 6	Martha / Freddie



Reception	Aavai / Martha
Year 1	Theo / William
Year 2	Seren-Rae / Ruhani
Year 3	Joshvir / Jack N.
Year 4	Mia / Pippa
Year 5	Harry S. / Scarlett
Year 6	Henry / Erryn



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#### Kindness Tree Award

Last Week Infants: Jivan (Owls)

Last Week Juniors: Elise (4R) Darcey (4R) This Week Infants: Georgiana (Turtles)

This Week Juniors: Lottie (3E)



# Infant Birthdays



### Netball Team and Next Week



Our Netball Team went along to a tournament last Monday and they will go to another one next Monday. A big thank you to Mrs Goldspink and Mrs Myles for organizing this and giving the girls a chance to compete!

#### Music Lessons

As parents may already be aware YMES, our peripatetic music provider, will cease trading after July. Lessons will continue as normal until then. We do have exciting news however that we have managed to retain Heather for keyboard and violin and John for guitar so there will be as little impact as possible for the children as they will still have the same teachers next year. Both teachers will be in touch with current students to advise about cost and how to make payments. They will also draft up a contract for the lessons and new timetables for next year and let parents know directly.

If your child does not currently have music lessons and they wish to start in September—please watch this space—we will send out information on how to sign your child up for lessons. Lessons are during the school day in normal lesson time.



## All Saints Church in School

We have had our friends from All Saints Church in school with us this week leading two assemblies for our children. They also stayed afterwards and spent some time talking to our Year 6 pupils all about transition to secondary school. All Saints will also be holding their 'Summer Party' on 9<sup>th</sup> July as you can see from the flyer at the end of this newsletter. It looks like it is going to be a fantastic fun event so why not go along and enjoy yourselves!

# Gymnastics Holiday Club

During the second week of the Summer holidays Premier Sport will be putting on another of their popular Gymnastics Holiday Clubs. All the details of this event are now on the school website and have been sent out on our mobile app so get in quickly before all the places go.

To read further details just follow this link:

https://www.fouroaksprimary.bham.sch.uk/pages/news/139226

# Staff Training Dates 2022-23

Towards the end of the school term we will send out a list of school dates and events for next year, but we already know 4 out of the 5 Staff Training Days when school will be closed to pupils and we thought parents would appreciate knowing these ASAP. These dates are:

Monday 5th September 2022 Tuesday 6th September 2022 Tuesday 3rd January 2023 Monday 17th April 2023 1 more date TBC



As you can see there is a 5th date yet to be confirmed. As soon as this is cemented in place we will let parents know.

#### Donations of Lego

We are hoping to create a KS2 'Lego Station' for lunchtimes. The PTA have kindly bought some benches to store this but we would be grateful for any donations of unwanted Lego to fill them. Please pop them into school marked for the attention of Mrs Bambury. Thank you.



## ICT Tip of the Week

Turning on 2-Step Verification is one of the most effective ways to stop cyber criminals. It keeps them out of your accounts even if they get hold of your password. Whether you use Outlook, Gmail or iCloud, learn how to turn it on here: <a href="https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/top-tips-for-staying-secure-online/activate-2-step-verification-on-your-email">https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/top-tips-for-staying-secure-online/activate-2-step-verification-on-your-email</a>

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me. Yours sincerely

