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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to last half term of this academic year, which is going to be busy with lots of activities in school and within the Duffield community. I hope you all managed to enjoy the half term break.

Monday 12th June

Further to the recent emailed flyer, a reminder that we are holding a 'non-uniform - donation day' on Monday 12th June. There will be no charge via Scopyay for this non-uniform day, but please send your child with a donation for the fayre to either the class or into the school office. Please refer to the recently circulated flyers from the PTA regarding the items needed.

Sports Day

Sports Days are planned for next Monday 12th June for KS1 and Tuesday 13th June for KS2, with reserve dates of Monday 19th June for KS2 and Tuesday 20th June for KS1. The events will take place at Grays Rec, starting at 1.30 pm. All friends and family welcome to attend and support the children. Please bring your own chairs and picnic blankets. All children will go home from the Rec unless you have informed us that your child is to return to school, for example to meet the out of school club. Please email or telephone the school office.

William Gilbert is recognised for its ability to include all children but sport by its very nature is competitive. It has winners and losers in every event, and the ability to cope with the disappointment or frustration of losing is a life skill.

The Sports Days next week will be a wonderful example of children demonstrating good sportsmanship in success, and modesty and resilience in defeat. I thank all staff, parents and children who have always supported this, so that by the time children reach KS2 the passion to win any and every race on sports day is prevalent, but acknowledged with good grace at the finish line by all race/team members.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS WILL NOT TAKE PLACE ON THE DAYS WHEN SPORTS DAYS RUN, AS CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED FROM GRAYS REC.

The forecast for Monday is hot, so please ensure your child has had an application of sun cream in the morning before school, and has a hat and full water bottle with them.

Summer Fayre – Friday 16th June

The annual Summer Fayre will take place on Friday 16th June from 5.00pm to 7.00pm.

Thank you in advance for your support. We hope the weather stays dry and we can enjoy a lovely evening of stalls and activities in and outside of school.

Class Photographs

You should now have received the class photograph proofs, please note that the deadline for placing orders on-line is Tuesday 20th June. The larger proofs are available for viewing in the school reception area.

PTA Lottery

If you would like to join the PTA lottery, please contact Mrs Macdonald or Mrs Longmore.

School Back Packs

The first order of new navy Back Packs has now been received, and for those who have already placed orders, these will come home with your child today. The item has been very popular so a second order has been placed, and once we have received the stock, we will distribute any additional orders.

Please remember, the back packs are NOT compulsory, so the choice is either a navy school book bag OR navy school back pack.

Student Update Forms

We will be sending out copies of the Student Forms over the next couple of weeks, which detail the information we hold on your child. Could you please check the information, and amend where necessary, and return to the school office as soon as possible. We would like to get all these details up to date ready for when we return in September. Any queries please contact the School Office.

Yours sincerely

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