

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow: what a year and it's not quite over! Huge congratulations to our Year Six leavers for two stunning performances of "Wonka" which were incredible. The talent, confidence, resilience and maturity on display show just how far these children have come in their time here and they leave us next Tuesday ready for the next stage of their education as well-rounded, decent human beings who display our school values of Self-Belief, Honesty, Respect, Excellence and Kindness. Well done Year Six; you did yourselves proud.

Special thanks to our PTA who are setting up a wonderful Y6 leavers' party for the children this evening – we hope they all have a great time and enjoy their final primary school disco!

School Council

Well done to our School Council for organizing a superb talent show fundraiser today. The winners will be announced on Monday after every child has had a chance to vote. So far, the amount raised for Animals in Need is £240 so far with more to count plus the ParentMail donations open until next Tuesday. Thank you for supporting this event.

Books

Children's exercise books will be sent home before the end of term – thanks to those who have provided a carrier bag for this. In a drive to be environmentally friendly and reduce wasting resources, any exercise books recently started will continue into next academic year.

House Points

The term 6 house team winner will be announced next week with their reward to be revealed next week.

New classes / teachers

The children all know their new class teacher, classmates and classroom. We will shortly be sending home a presentation to each year group with further details of library day, PE days, clubs, which door to use etc. These will also be on our school website. Please show them to your child over the summer holiday if they are anxious or have any questions about their return to school in September.

In September, on Thursday 5th September, parents / carers are invited into new classrooms for an informal drop-in and chance to introduce yourself to your child's new class teacher. This will be from 3:30 – 4pm and a reminder will be sent nearer the time.

Attendance

Every fortnight the 'Attendance Team' meets in school to monitor school attendance and this week we had our last meeting for this academic year. We will be finishing the year with whole school attendance of 95% - which is below our target of 96%. On a positive note though, we were pleased to send excellent attendance messages to 223 pupils, who exceeded the target of 96% and delighted to send 100% attendance messages to 19 pupils who haven't missed a session of school all year! Thank you for your on-going support to ensure your children are present and ready to learn – it is very much appreciated.

In-line with statutory government guidance, we will be updating our attendance policy and will share the key points of this with you next week.

Online safety

Please see the attached user guide on accessing parental controls on various platforms and devices which should help you to keep your children safe online this summer.

Wishing you a lovely weekend. Remember school is open on Monday and Tuesday next week.

Miss Lally

Summer Reading Challenge

Earls Barton Library and Community Centre have asked us to share the following:

The Summer Reading Challenge 2024 will launch in Earls Barton Library and Community Centre on Saturday 20th July from 10.00 - 1.00. We always have a fantastic response to this, so we look forward to welcoming you! The challenge is aimed at Primary School aged children plus children starting school in September 2024. The challenge is to read six books during the summer holidays. There will be sticker rewards and all children completing the challenge will receive a certificate and a medal. It is all free of charge, but children must be members of the library...which is also free! If you can't make Saturday 20th July, you can sign up at any time after that during library opening hours, Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 2 - 5 and Wed, Sat 10 - 1

Let's make this our best year so far!

North and West Northamptonshire councils have collated lists of support, summer activities and more for families! Please find a whole raft of advice and ideas [here](#) and [here](#).

Letters home this week

Free self-harm workshop

Excellent attendance message

School holiday fund voucher – Entitled families only

Y6 performance timings

End of term reminders

Parking restrictions in Churchill Road

Online safety – WhatsApp – Y4, Y5 & Y6 only

Attachments

Butterfly wild weekend at All Saints

Online safety – what parents need to know about worry and anxiety

Parental controls

PTA Stikins flyer

