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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much to all the parents who organised the Fayre last Saturday. It was another lovely community event and was great to see so many of our current and past families there. Thank you for tipping two tubs of water all over me whilst I was in the stocks, Mr E and Mr C - don't worry, I'm plotting my revenge.....

Nearly £6,000 was raised, which is fantastic! Thank you also for your incredible generosity and leaving gift of travel vouchers. I was really, really touched. I was also really blown away by the gorgeous songs and speeches the children performed for me at an assembly for me this morning. It was really, really special. Huge thanks to Mrs Fallon and the staff for all your time drawing this together. I have

given the children a wooden bench as a farewell gift with the inscription 'Be the reason someone smiles today'.



### Reception

We had a wonderful time on our trip to Bucklebury Farm on Wednesday. Thank you to Mrs Bentley, Mrs Farina and all the FS staff and parents who supported us on it. It inspired us to do some really impressive writing! We also had great fun at our woodland tea today with you, performing the stories and songs we've been practising for it. In Maths, we've recapped doubling and the connection to halving and we made insects from recycled objects. It's been a fabulous week!

### Year 1

We finally finished our independent writing of non-chronological reports this week and then created a habitat for the clay models of our new species. We've been learning about money in Maths, recognising different coins and notes and learning how to count forwards and backwards in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s to 100.



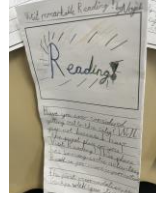
### Year 2

This week, we experimented with different techniques to create pop-up features in books, before creating and publishing our new pages to add to the Somebody Swallowed Stanley story. Following our research into the effects of plastic pollution and examples of environment helping machines, we have been designing our own ocean saving inventions and explaining how they work. We've continued to work on our stop motion videos in Computing and practising our problem solving skills in Maths.

### Year 3

We've spent time this week, editing our persuasive leaflets, looking specifically at our use of punctuation. We then published them and added pictures to make them eye-catching. In Maths we revisited how to calculate the

perimeter or regular and irregular shapes and we finished adding designs and patterns to the 3D superstructures we've made from paper nets. We're hoping to create a cityscape of all our creations.



#### Year 4

We have been really enjoying our *Awesome Asia* topic and have been learning about the *Great Wall of China* and comparing it to *Hadrian's Wall*. In *Maths* we finished our unit on *symmetry*, focusing on *reflecting polygons* and in our *English* lessons we published our *Adventure stories*. As part of our *Science* topic we experimented with *string phones*, our question in the pictures below was 'Why can we hear our voices clearer through the string telephone?!' We are also really excited about *Sports Day* on *Monday* and our *swimming lessons* next week!



#### Year 5

This week we've been looking at *Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream*. We've analysed it and enjoyed *retelling* and *acting it out*. In *Maths* we've been looking at how to *estimate volume* for shapes other than *cuboids* and how to make use of *rounding and estimation* to compare volume in the real world. We've continued to enjoy our *swimming lessons* and many of us had a *taster day* at *Highdown* on *Wednesday*, which was fun. In our topic homework on *Ancient Greece*, some of us decided to open a *Greek restaurant* and we were able to sample *falafel, tzatziki, flat breads* and *olives stuffed with feta*, it was delicious!



#### Year 6

We have had the most amazing week! We had soooo much fun performing our production to everyone earlier in the week and didn't want it to end on *Tuesday evening*. Everyone has said how much they enjoyed it, including the other children in the school, staff, governors and the *CEO of BPET* who watched it with *Mrs E* on *Tuesday evening*. Thank you so much to *Mrs Rogers, Mr Griffiths, Mrs Howell* and *Mrs Challis* for all their hard work and support helping us to have such an amazing opportunity and experience!

## KS2 Sports Day

We have been manifesting dry weather for next Monday's KS2 Sports Day and think we've been successful. Yay! Please do keep your fingers crossed though. I hope many of you will be able to join us on MDPF to enjoy the fun throughout the morning.

## Move Up afternoons

Yesterday, all the children (aside from Year 6), moved up again to spend some more time with the class teacher(s) who will be teaching them next year. It was another lovely opportunity for both the staff and children to get to know each other a little and help with their transition to a new class and Year group.

## The Heights Hoedown

The PTFA have kindly organised an event at The Red Lion pub on 18<sup>th</sup> July to raise money for the school library. If you would like to be a part of this event, there are still tickets available to buy. You can do this by clicking on the link below:-

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/theheights/index.cfm?event=Shop>

## The Heights PTFA Uniform Exchange

This will be taking place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 12:30pm outside the school. It is free and any monetary donations will go towards buying new bikes for Reception. We look forward to seeing lots of you there!

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**Dates for the Diary** - new or amended dates are in ***bold italics***.

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| KS2 Sports Day                                  | 15 <sup>th</sup> July                                 |
| Year 6 Leavers Disco                            | 17 <sup>th</sup> July                                 |
| <b><i>Summer Festival</i></b>                   | <b><i>18<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>                    |
| The PTFA's 'The Heights Hoedown'                | 18 <sup>th</sup> July                                 |
| <b><i>The Heights PTFA Uniform Exchange</i></b> | <b><i>19<sup>th</sup> July (12:30pm)</i></b>          |
| End of Summer Term                              | 19 <sup>th</sup> July ( <b><i>1:30pm finish</i></b> ) |

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend.



Mrs Edwards