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Dear Parents/Carers,

Re. End of year School events

With the Government's announcement last week to delay the latest step in the roadmap out of Covid restrictions, School leaders have been working closely with our Local Education Authority and Public Health advisors, to understand the impact of restrictions on planned end of year events.

In regards to events below, please refer back to these summary points, of core restrictions still in place:

- Parents can gather outdoors in groups of up to 30 – the legal gathering limit. Multiple groups of 30 are permitted, as long as social distancing measures are followed.
- Indoor events are still restricted by the rule of six or two households.
- Parent groups must not jeopardise the integrity of school bubbles when visiting the School.
- Events should not be held, where a school cannot adhere to their Covid H&S risk assessment, restrictions and protective measures.

School Sports Afternoon

We are delighted to announce that our Sports Afternoons can include family spectators. Spectators will need to be in groups of no more than 30 and will remain in designated zones. We will be permitting up to two family members for each event. Do recognise that all ages, including babies, are counted in the Government's legal gathering limit of 30. Here are the event dates:

- Monday 12th July: Year 3 & 4
- Tuesday 13th July: Reception class
- Wednesday 14th July: Year 1 & 2
- Thursday 15th July: Year 5 & 6

We will open the School gates to spectators from 1.25pm until 1.35pm. Please do not be late, as we will not be able to allow you in once the event starts.

Year 6 Production

This year the production will be recorded for our Year 6 parents and children in our other Year groups. We are expecting to have the recording posted onto our website, from 2pm on 8th July.

Year 6 Fun Day

On Friday 9th July, our Year 6s will be treated to a leavers fun day. The school is covering most of the day's expenses through our residential fund. As you all know, this year's residential was cancelled due to the pandemic. We have booked 3 inflatables: Basketball Shootout, Junior Gladiator Jousting and a bouncy Wrestling Ring with padded suits. Across the day, other activities will be available, with a pizza lunch funded by our PTA, followed by a visit from the ice-cream van (expenses covered by our School's residential fund).



Year 6 Picnic & Activities Afternoon

On Friday 16th July, Miss Marbe will be arranging a memorable afternoon for the Year 6 children, by having a lunchtime picnic on the adjacent Coopersale Cricket Field, followed by activities in our local forest area.

Year 6 Leavers' Service

Our Year 6s will be having their leavers' church service on the morning of Tuesday 20th July. We will be recording this event to share with our Year 6 parents and our children in other Year groups. We are expecting to have the recording posted onto our website by that afternoon, the 20th July.

Parents drop in – meet next year's teacher session

We will be arranging a face-to-face parent drop in session in September, for parents to meet their child's new teacher for the year. This week we will be sending you details of class allocations for September and informing the children at the same time. On Monday 5th July, our teachers will be moving, for the afternoon session, to their new class for transitional activities.

Parents drop in – annual reports feedback

Annual reports will be sent home on, Friday 9th July. We will not be able to host our usual face-to-face drop in session for parents. Instead, we will be re-opening the class email accounts used during lockdown, to allow you to ask any questions and get feedback direct from the class teacher. The class email accounts will be opened for the week commencing 12th July and closing on Friday 16th July. Teachers will only respond to annual report related emails.

New intake taster sessions

As some of you have children joining us in the new Reception class for September, I'm happy to confirm that our taster sessions, with limited group numbers already in place, will continue to go ahead. However, this now needs to be in our outside Early Years playground, due to the rule of 6 for indoor events. I will be sending this updated communication to all other new intake parents this week.

As you can imagine, with the delay to our Covid roadmap by our Government and an ambiguous date set for review in July, tough decisions have had to be made by all School leaders across the country. We thank you for your continual support and understanding.

Yours faithfully,

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