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For every child a chance to shine*



LAYSTON C of E FIRST SCHOOL

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23rd June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Transition:

Children are beginning to get to know their new teachers with visits from the teacher for story time, eating lunch together or visiting their new classroom. We will continue to build on this in preparation for **July 13th**. Mr Strahan and Mrs Betley have liaised closely with Edwinstree Middle School, and the school are preparing for the Y4 leavers celebrations.

Enrichment:

The Reception children are looking forward to a visit from Garg's Animal Encounters. Garg will be bringing in a variety of animals for the Reception children to interact with. We are excited and looking forward to this wonderful opportunity next **Wednesday 28th June**.

Whole School Art Day:

On Wednesday, the children all enjoyed being creative and collaborating towards a whole school piece of artwork. We are replacing the lockdown display in the hall with a tableau from Noah's Ark. This illustrates hope for the future and a desire to nurture our natural world. The children painted and collaged a range of animals as well as Noah and his wife and the ark. Once we have assembled this, we will share photographs and hope that you will enjoy seeing it when you visit.

Sports day:

Sports day will take place on the morning of **Thursday 29th June**. The reserve sports day will be on the morning of **Thursday 6th July**. We will start at **9:30am** and look forward to welcoming as many parents as possible to the school field so that you can support and cheer your child/ren on.

Access to the top field will be through the car park gates which will be open from **9:15am** and we will aim to finish at **12:00pm** lunchtime. The children will then go back into school for lunch and an afternoon of learning.

Y4 Leaver's Events:

Tues 18th July: Y4 Leaver's service at St Peter's church 9:30 - Y4 parents only

Wed 19th July: Y4 Leaver's BBQ -3:15-5:00pm (Mr Strahan will be sending out further information the week before.)

End of term:

A reminder that school finishes on **Friday 21st July at 1:30pm**

Hot weather:

As the weather continues to be hot please can we remind you to send your children in with a named water bottle and a named sun hat/cap, and to apply sunscreen before children come to school.

Parent Chat:

We are looking forward to meeting parents at our next parent chat on **Wednesday 12th July at 2:45pm**. We are currently reviewing the school's Behaviour Policy and with staff and will be able to share this with you then. We will also be holding an open afternoon on **Friday 14th July at 2:00pm-3:00pm** where parents will be invited into to share their children's writing projects.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

Adele McMurrough

Head teacher

