

# Goodyers End Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you have all had an enjoyable Easter holiday and are ready for the last term of this academic year. I cannot believe how quickly this year seems to be going!

# **Easter Bingo**

Can I firstly start by saying a huge 'Thank You' to all of you who were able to support our Easter Bingo. It was a fantastic turnout with over 100 tickets sold. It was lovely to see the children so actively involved as well. I hope you all enjoyed your chocolate prizes! The support you have shown during the last term, as always, in raising funds for the children has been fantastic and will benefit them and their learning greatly.

#### **Assessments**

The summer term is always a busy time; with lots of statutory assessments being carried out. Year two have already started their SATs this week and will continue for the month of May. Year six will be taking their assessments in a week's time starting on Monday 13 May. After half term year one will have their phonics assessment, year four will have their times table check and reception will complete their Early Learning profiles. You can best support your children by ensuring they are getting a good night's sleep and are completing any homework they have been set.

#### **Aspirations Week**

A big thank you to all the parents who have volunteered their time during aspirations week. If there is anyone else who would like to be a part of that week please let the office know. As a reminder, we are going to be focusing the week on jobs in the community and we would like a wide range of people to come and speak to children about what their job entails, how they got into their job and the types of things that you have to do in a typical day. The aim is to educate children on what is out in the big, wide world for them in the future. Aspirations week will be week commencing Monday 24 June (if you have already put your name down, we will be in touch in due course).

## **Reading Challenge**

On World Book Day we signed up to The Reading Challenge along with hundreds of other schools across the country. The aim was that as a country, children would read in excess of two hundred million minutes. As a school, we contributed 276,805 minutes which was a great effort from everyone. The winning class from key stage one was 1W who read a fantastic 19,916 minutes and the key stage two winner was 6J with a massive 41,424 minutes of reading. Their efforts have been rewarded with a picnic on the field where they can share their books with each other. Reading regularly is such a vital part to children's learning and we hope that even though the challenge is over that they continue to ensure they read **every day** at both home and school.

## **Uniform and Punctuality Reminders**

Thank you to all of those children who come to school in the correct uniform including black school shoes, every day. It sets the right learning ethos as soon as they walk into school. If you are unsure as to the correct uniform please check the school website.

Well done also to everyone who arrives in school on time, again this helps children ensure they are not missing out on vital learning time. Doors open at 8.45am and children should all be in their classroom by 8.55am. A reminder that collection times are 3.05pm for reception and key stage one and 3.15pm for key stage two.

## **Festival of Arts Winners!**

This week we have been delighted to have been recognised for our artistic flare in winning three trophies, as well as several 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> awards in various art and craft entries in the Nuneaton Festival of Arts. Year 5 were awarded the Kath Lines Trophy for their Mountain of Movement sculpture. Year four were awarded the Festival Trophy for their roman clay pots and year six were awarded the Woodlands PTA trophy for their fantastic beasts. All of these entries and many others are on display outside the main hall, have a look next time your passing – they are amazing! The school as a whole also received the George Bicentenary Trophy for our support of the festival and unequivocal enthusiasm over the years - huge thanks must go to Mrs Gambrill for her never ending support with the entries and the festival.

I look forward to a busy summer term and as always thanks to everyone for their support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Rees Headteacher











