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Dear Parents,

Very well done to all our Reception children who had their class assembly this morning. They shared with us some of their topic work from the term including speaking Japanese and showing their amazing version of "Click, Clack, Moo". Well done.

Schools Games Mark – SILVER!

We were delighted to hear this week that we have been awarded the Silver Schools Games Mark. The School Games Mark is a Government led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. It is great that all our work with sports and PE in recent years has been recognised. Well done to all our committed staff and special thanks to our PE coordinator Anna Pearson for her hard work in this area.

Tennis and Swimming success

Very well done to our two teams of Oxfordshire Finalists! Having battled first against the other partnership schools, and then again against the local winners in the Vale of White Horse District, both teams went on to the county finals on Thursday. Our Tennis team of Martha, Leila, Quinn, Sebastien, Raphael, Fleur, Rhiannon and Luca did incredibly well and won the final too! They brought home the trophy which is now on proud display in the entrance hall. Our swimmers, Romily, Phoebe, Alex and Bethan did brilliantly too, but didn't quite make it into the final top three. Well done to all of them and thank you to the staff and parents who helped out.

Year Six Test Results

Our Year Six children received their test results and they have done really well. The tests were significantly harder, reflecting the new more challenging curriculum, than in previous years and they should all be very proud of what they have achieved.

Last Ever Library Van on Monday

As part of the ongoing cuts to our local services, the library van that visits school each month is also being axed. The mobile library van and their team of staff have offered us some excellent service over the past few years and it has been a great opportunity for the children to borrow and read books that aren't available to them through school or at home.
Monday will be the last visit of the Library van and we ask that you have a look around at home and make sure that any books that have been borrowed are returned. The central and local libraries are still open, so please do visit them and keep up the wide range of reading that our children enjoy.

Year 1 dressing up day and cookie sale.

The Year 1 children had planned to dress up in a nautical / pirate theme on Wednesday next week as well as having a cookie sale in aid of the RNLI and our school charities, DEC and Wateraid. Unfortunately Mrs D will now not be available on that day and so we are going to postpone both the dressing up and cookie sale until the next day – Thursday 14th July. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. It should still be a fabulous day though – don't forget your bakes if you are able (nut free of course) and a 20p!

End of Year Parent Survey
We are always keen to capture your views on our school, how you think we are doing and ideas for further improvement. Each year we send out a questionnaire to parents to help us not only with this snapshot, but also to monitor trends from year to year.
Once again we will be conducting our survey online using survey monkey. This is very easy to do and should save a great deal of time for everyone. Please click on this link or copy it into your browser to complete the questionnaire. Thank you.

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CCEPS2016

Clubs next week.
All clubs will still be running next week, with the **exception** of the Tennis Club which finishes today.
Jamie Cassidy Soccer Skills will be the only club running on the final Monday of term.

From your PTA
Thank you so much for attending the fete last Saturday. There was a fantastic atmosphere, the rain held off, and we raised a brilliant £1419.84 for the school. A special thank you to everyone who helped clear up at the end.
Friday 15th is the end of year BBQ from 5.30pm. There will be a BBQ (of course), music and bar. It is a lovely, relaxed way to end the year, so please do join us.

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Practised for our assembly, built a giant typewriter and met our Year 1 teacher.
Year 1	Making boats, working with capacity and finding out about Eid.
Year 2	Inventing our own nonsense poems, division as inverse of multiplication and identifying plants around school.
Year 3	Grid multiplication, animal research, fruits and seed dispersal.
Year 4	Money word problems, completing information leaflets about rivers and narrative poetry.
Year 5	Working with scale drawings, creating power points and learning about growing and changing.
Year 6	Visit to Highclere Castle, 'moving on' activities and script writing for their leaver's assembly.

Next week:

Don't forget that next week is our final full week of term. We have the Year 6 Leavers service at St. Michael's on Friday and the end of term BBQ in the evening. I hope to see you there.

Monday 11th July	AM	Library Van – Book collection only.
Thursday 14th July	All day	Year 1 dressing up day and cake sale at playtime – proceeds going to the school charities and RNLI (connecting nicely with the watery topic this term).
Friday 15th July	9.30am	Year 6 Leavers Service at church. Friends and family welcome.
Friday 15th July	5.30pm onwards	End of Year BBQ.
Tuesday 19th July	9.00 am	Year 6 leaver's assembly. Friends and family welcome.
Tuesday 19th July	1.15pm	School closes for the summer break.
Monday 5th September	8.50am	Children return to school.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher