

Dear Parents,

Hasn't the past year flown by? This has definitely been a busy and extraordinary year. We are saying goodbye to a very special group of Year Six pupils and wish them every success in their secondary schools and in the future. We are also saying goodbye to Oliver and Sophie Clarke, Charlie Betts, Felix May and Ted Minor and we wish them all the best and hope that they will stay in touch! As has been noted earlier, we are also saying goodbye to four very special members of staff: the amazing Miss Emily Sturges and teaching assistants Natalie Caveen, Leanne Duda and Jill Hood. We will miss them all and thank them for their hard work and care!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your kindness, support and generosity over the year. We are very blessed at Bathford to have such a wonderful school community and it is something we never take for granted.



1. **Performance Club:** Well done to all those amazing children in Performance Club for their production of 'Move It' and well done to Miss Sturges and Mrs Hayter for all their efforts in making the production so successful. Sarah Bloomfield videoed the show for parents to view. Please contact Sarah or Mrs Hayter if you would like the link.
2. **Gardening 'Thank You':** Huge thanks to Jane Walker and Carol Bonicolini who are doing an amazing job of renovating our pond area; they're also cooking up some terrific plans for the grounds. We had a visit from the Cotswold Wardens, who are going to begin clearing the copse area in order to develop it further. The children thoroughly enjoy working outside and making these areas more accessible will add so much to what we are able to provide. Any further offers of help will always be gratefully received, even if it's just a one-off.
3. **Breakfast and After School Clubs:** Application, registration forms and a handbook for the breakfast and after school club are now available, either as a downloadable form from the website or in paper form, available from the office. The breakfast club will run from 7.30am to 9am at £4.50 a session and the after school club will run from 3.15 to 6pm at £10.00 a session (10% discount for additional siblings). We have just booked Lewis from PH Sports (who works with the children in school), to work with the After School Club on 2 afternoons a week (the actual days are still in negotiation). We are hoping to extend this later in the year.
4. **Weekly Doodlemaths champions:** This week's top doodler is Year 4 Hugo, while Year 5 Shem came second and Year 2 Sophie came third. Keep on doodling, especially over the summer holiday when all those mathematical skills can become rusty!

5. **Charity cake sales:** Ella raised £123.55 with the 2 cake sales she ran and would like to thank everyone who supported her. She wants you to know that this money could be used to fund a term of education for a child, give standard medical help to a child for four years or feed 12 children for a month.
6. **Looking for amazing summer holiday childcare?** PH Camps will be starting their camp at Bathford Primary School next Monday. All camps run from 9:00am – 3.00pm and cost £80 a week or £18 per day. Activities will include; archery, indoor boarding, fun sports and games, giant art projects, the big picnic, creative puzzles, solar powered cars and so many more amazing activities. Please visit www.phcamps.co.uk, or call on 01225 701830 to book a place.
7. **Banking details:** If you would like to set up a regular donation to FOBS, the details you need to set up a standing order or just to make a one-off donation are as follows: Account name – Friends of Bathford Primary School, Account number – 24364363, Account sort code 52-21-30. A huge thank you to those of you who have already donated.
8. **Shop and support school:** Shop online and help raise money for school by joining *The Giving Machine* or *easyfundraising* and nominating school as your cause.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer break,
Karen Sykes and the team at Bathford Primary

Upcoming dates:

Monday, 4 th September	Inset day
Tuesday, 5 th September	Inset day
Wednesday, 6 th September	Inset day
Thursday, 7 th September	Children begin Term 1, new Reception class at 9.30am
Monday, 18 th September	Swimming begins for Year 4 + Y5/6 non-swimmers
Monday, 18 th September	Clubs begin
Monday, 25 th September	Harvest Festival @ St. Swithun's Church 9.30am
Monday, 25 th September	Reception begin staying for lunch – collected at 1.15
Monday, 2 nd October	Reception begin staying all day
Tuesday, 10 th October	School photographs – individual
Friday, 20 th October	Term 1 ends

