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#### Dear Parents and Children Exciting Activities Last Week

The children have had a very busy week with all kinds of exciting events.

#### Nursery Graduation



Wednesday morning and afternoon saw the children in Nursery graduate! This was an amazing time; it is wonderful to see such young children dress in graduation gowns, walk onto the stage and receive a graduation certificate. They were amazing. Thank you for all of the support you have offered all year and many thanks to the wonderful Nursery staff.

#### Summer Concert



Our annual Summer Gala saw a selection of pianists, violin and cello players, keyboarders and guitarists, together with brass and woodwind instruments playing an array of pieces. Having the opportunity to hear them perform year after year, makes very clear the progress that they are making over time. Thank you for the encouragement that you give to your children, regarding practising their instruments at home, and the commitment you have shown to continuing to pay for lessons once the children reach Year 4.

#### Superheroes and Greeks



Meanwhile, the children in Year 1 received a letter from 'Michael Recycle' telling them how he has flown over Balsall Common and seen lots of mess in the school. So the Year 1 superheroes 'supered' around the school looking for and cleaning the rubbish they found! The purpose was to think about looking after the environment and the children absolutely loved it. On the same day, Year 5 transported themselves back to Ancient Greece to finish their topic. Superheroes meet Super Greeks! What a day!

#### Attendance

A fabulous week of attendance. Well done to the classes below for achieving the highest attendance last week, with a particular well done to the three classes that achieved 100%!

Weekly Attendance	Class	
EYFS Highest	RC	- 99.0%
KS1 Highest	1R&2M	- 100%
LKS2 Highest	4A	- 100%
UKS2 Highest	5M	- 100%
Whole school		97.4%

#### Head's Class of the Week

Well done also to the classes below for achieving the greatest number of ATLs in their phases.

	Last Week
EYFS	RM
KS1	1K
LKS2	3D
UKS2	5B

#### Winners of the Weekly ATL Cup

And a very big well done indeed to these children for achieving the most amount of individual ATLs in their phases.

KS1	Myles S, 1K
LKS2	Lewis S, 3C
UKS2	Luke P, 6W

#### School Disco

Many thanks indeed to all of the staff and parents who were in attendance at these discos on Friday. Hot, sweaty and a great deal of fun!

#### County Tennis Finals

On Friday after school, BCPS represented the South Solihull Schools at the County Tennis Games. Our Year 4 team, comprising Oscar S, James W, Jessica L and Luna K-P, put in an outstanding performance. In the first group of matches, although remaining unbeaten, we just missed out on a semi-final spot. However, our group was particularly strong, with the two teams in the semi-finals both being from within it. Despite not making it through to the semi-finals, our children's exemplary attitude earned them the title of the team with the best "Sports Values". Super play; well done to everyone involved, and thank you again Mr Green.

#### Staff Changes

I would like to thank, and wish all of the very best for their futures, Miss Sargent, Mrs MacKay, Mrs Russell, Miss Hull and Mr Perkins. I would very much like to thank Mrs Connell for stepping in so brilliantly to cover Mrs MacKay's maternity leave in Year 5. In addition, Miss Lewis and Miss Barber are both getting married over the summer and will return as Mrs Scarborough and Mrs Semple respectively. We welcome as new to the school Mrs Lewis, Miss Cooke, Mrs Chauhan and Mrs Price. Your children will meet these new teachers on Monday morning.

#### Clubs

All clubs run by school staff have now finished. I would like to thank all staff who have been involved in running clubs this year. The children absolutely love them. Rugbytots will run next week as usual.

**School is closed to pupils tomorrow!  
Have a great weekend.**

GT Burgess

**Robin**

Maya S, RW

**Good Choice Stars of the Week**

Jessica I, 3D  
Oliver C, 3D

Becca g, 3M  
Phoebe C, 3C

Casey H, 4C

Rachel 5P

**Golden Ticket Winner of the Week**

Rishon N, RM  
Ellie D, RW

Freddie P, 2L

Jordon J, 3D

**Diary Dates**

HALF TERM	
Monday 16th July	Reports home
Wednesday 18th July	Y6 Fun Day and BBQ PTA (19.00)
Thursday 19th July	Final KS1 Birthday assembly (9.10)
Friday 20th July	Y2 and Y6 Leavers' Assemblies and last day of term
SUMMER HOLIDAY	
School open for uniform and enquiries	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> August, 9.00am-12.00pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	INSET DAY School closed to pupils
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	INSET DAY School closed to pupils
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	School Open to pupils for the beginning of the academic year 2018-2019!

