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in a tri-angular tournament with Eversfield Prep and Ruckleigh Prep. The team consisted of boys and girls from years 3, 4, 5 and 6 and they competed in over 30 races covering sprints, middle distance running and field events. The children performed consistently over the meeting and won well over half of the races, leading us to a very healthy overall victory. In fact, the team totalled a massive 189 points over the events. Every competitor contributed equally towards this amazing total with outstanding performances from Lilla W and Matthew F, who won three events each.



Dear Parents

**Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week**

Last Week's Head's Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RW	1S,1P,4W,5M	99.7%
KS1	1M+2D	3C	99.6%
LKS2	3D	6H	100%
UKS2	5M	Week	97.6%

An absolutely splendid attendance record last week, from the vast majority of classes, leading to 97.6% overall. Attitudes towards learning continue to be high. Well done to everyone.

**Entering the Last Half Term**

As I am typing the number 32 in this Newsletter's header, representing the number of weeks the school has been open since September, I find myself realising that there are only seven Newsletters remaining until we break up for the summer holiday, and I simply cannot believe how quickly this year has gone so far! And yet, the OFSTED inspection seems to have taken place many, many moons ago, but only nine weeks have actually gone by! It has been an incredible year so far and we are all very excited about the next half term, because there are so many more activities and events yet to come. 'Read all about it' here!

**Athletics**

Last week our athletics team took part

**Warwick Arts String Explosion**

Another fantastic experience for our Year 3 musicians and string orchestra on Monday, playing in front of a very large audience.

**Year 4 Play's Donations**

We have finally counted and submitted £205.10 for Water Aid, raised through a collection over two nights at the end of the Year 4 performance before Easter. Many, many thanks indeed.

**Year 3 Rugby at Twickenham**

Watch out for us on the television on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at the Aviva Rugby Final!

**RNLI**

Many thanks indeed to Mike Goulder, one of our grandparents, who was in school earlier this week sharing information about the RNLI and water safety for the whole school. Well done Mike, and thank you!

**Sports Days**

UKS2 Sports Day was earlier this week and was a cracking event. The remaining sports days are planned as follows:

**KS1** - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June, pm;

**LKS2** - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June, pm;

**Nursery and Reception** - Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June, pm.

**Summer Gala, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

This event is rapidly approaching. Children have been in non-school uniform today to bring a bottle for the Tombola, and Mr Ireland has been sorting out the football annual football tournament for the day. We

will keep our fingers crossed for good weather and you will find me at my usual 'Burgess' Burgers' food station!

**Staff Retirements**

After a combined service to this school of some 37 years, Mrs Davies, 23 years of service, and Mrs Holmes, 14 years of service, are retiring at the end of this academic year. Without any doubt at all, the contribution both ladies have made to the school, in their various capacities, has been immense and they will most definitely be missed. We have started a collection for them and invite you to contribute if you wish. Please send any contributions to Mrs Clinton in a clearly marked envelope. In the meantime, replacement appointments have been made internally. Miss E Hughes, current Year 5 and 6 Leader, will become the new Assistant Headteacher, alongside Mr Ireland, and Mrs K Clamp will take on the leadership role of Early Years. I know you will want to join with me in thanking them for everything they have done over the years and wishing them well in their retirement.

**Forthcoming Events**

**Dunfield House:** Year 4 children are off on their annual residential the week after half term.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June:** No Celebration Assemblies either in the morning or the afternoon of the first Friday back!

**Have a great 'longer' weekend.**

**GT Burgess**

