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Dear Parents / Carers

The final term of the academic year is extremely busy! Throughout the last two weeks the children have been involved in a large number of exciting activities, visits and competitions.

Sporting Events

AEGON International Tennis County Finals

After winning the Partnership Tennis Finals on 12th May, Saturday 21st June saw our Years 3 & 4 tennis team compete against another seven teams at the Devonshire Park, AEGON International Tennis County Finals in Eastbourne. Stanley Pendered, John Cooper, Alex Fleming, Jos Clark, Jack Lilley, Rebecka Greenwood, Amelia Hatchard, Rhiannah Matthews-Colbourne and Sophie Nurse all played their part and contributed to Barcombe School achieving a fabulous fifth place. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and siblings that came along and supported the children that morning; it was such an amazing, memorable experience for the children.

County Cricket Finals

Our Years 5 & 6 cricket team won the area cricket tournament held by the Sussex County Cricket Board at Buxted Cricket Club on 9th June which saw them through to the County Finals at the Sussex Academy Ground, Blackstone, on Tuesday 24th June. 18 teams from all over East and West Sussex were put in to 6 groups; Toby Anscombe, Sam Bradford, Lewis Turner, Stanley Hughes, Laela Scripps, Zantia Stevenson, Harvey Knott, Mattias Greenwood and Geordie Gwynn were a super team, winning their group to go through to the quarter finals. The quarter finals match was extremely close (only 3 runs in it) resulting in us finishing fifth in the tournament!

Our Years 4 & 5 cricket team won their area cricket tournament on 16th June and went off to play at the Sussex Academy Ground on Wednesday 25th June. 16 teams were put into 4 groups; Maddy Bullen, Amelia Hatchard, Alysia & Rhiannah Matthews-Colbourne, Harvey Knott, Stanley Pendered, Ethan Haddock, Mattias Greenwood and Geordie Gwynn played superbly and won their group. We put up a strong fight in the semi-finals but were unable to reach the score set by Harlands. However, we played Christchurch, St Leonards, to decide third and fourth place and finished third place in the tournament!

Ringmer Race Day

On Saturday 21st June Miss Stocker and I accompanied a group of Year 5 children to the Ringmer Academy race day. The children competed against twelve local schools racing a battery powered racing car around a track. The children either pushed the car from a standing start to help it reach its full speed or drove the car around the track racing in heats against two other cars. The event was extremely exciting and the team of children performed brilliantly. The team made it to the final, eventually finishing the event in third place after crashing into the Newick car at the first corner. This year Barcombe borrowed a

car from another school but next year we plan to buy, build and race our own!

SRE

Last week the children in years 3 to 6 completed their sessions on Sex and Relationship Education. The children were incredibly sensible and mature during the sessions and asked very sensible questions about the subjects they were taught.

Hedgehogs Break Out Of Barcombe

On Thursday 12th June The Reception children in Hedgehogs Class spent the morning at the allotments and 'Wild About Barcombe'. This was a Pirate themed event with the children taking part in a treasure hunt, potato printing and lots of other pirate themed activities.

Key Stage One Visit to the Sea Life Centre

On Thursday 19th June all children in Key Stage One visited Brighton beach and The Sea Life Centre as part of their 'The Seaside' learning journey. The children all came back buzzing with excitement and had lots of exciting stories about the wonderful sea creatures they had learnt about. This week I have really enjoyed reading their accounts of the day and individual children's memorable events!

Year 6 Leavers Service

On Wednesday 18th June Mr Walton and Mrs Edwards took the Year 6 children to the 'Leavers Service' at All Saints Church, Crowborough. This is an important event in the school calendar and is the first of a number of events where the children celebrate their time with us and recognise the important transition from Primary to Secondary School.

Foxes Class Assembly

I would like to congratulate Foxes Class on another excellent class assembly sharing the wonderful work that is going on in the classroom. I would also like to say well done to Miss Stocker, Mrs Edwards and the Foxes Class team who managed to prepare the children around a number of sporting fixtures!

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who helped support the Scholastic Book Fair. The school raised £390 from the fair and have reinvested that money into new books for every class!

Don't Forget These Important Dates:

3.7.14 – Badgers Class Assembly

4.7.14 – Foxes Class Break Out Of Barcombe Primary School

7.7.14 – Chailey School Induction morning (Yr 6)

8.7.14 – Ringmer School Induction morning (Yr 6), 1.30-2.30 Reception Taster Session

9.7.14 - 1.30-2.30 Reception Taster Session

10.7.14 – Squirrels Class Assembly 9am, 1.30-2.30 Reception Taster Session

11.7.14 – PATINA Moving On Parade Yr 6

15.7.14 – SPORTS DAY

17.7.14 – Hedgehogs Class Assembly 9am,

Connect To The Countryside Ardingly Showground – Yrs 5 and 6

18.7.14 – Owls Break Out Of Barcombe Primary School

21.7.14 – Transition Day – Pupils Meet New Teachers

22.7.14 – Yr 6 Leavers Assembly, Last Day of Term 6

Best Wishes

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