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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the year for Year 6, albeit rather sooner than we thought, we would like to first of all thank you and your children for your support both during lockdown and since we have been back at school. The children have been great throughout, and their maturity in response to the end of the year coming sooner than expected has been wonderful to see.

There is no way we can let their end of primary school fizzle out with no celebration, so we have several things planned for next week and afterwards too.

On Wednesday afternoon next week, July 1st, we will be watching the film *Coraline* based on the book we have recently read in class. It is a PG film, so if you do not wish your child to watch it, please let us know.

On Thursday next week, July 2nd, Year 6 will have a morning of activities with Mark Gilbert whom they know from their Forest School sessions. He will be doing sword fighting and role play activities with them. In the afternoon, there will first be sports activities with Mr Timmins and then the long-awaited water fight! Further details below.

On the Friday, we will be having a Patina Party. We will be watching the Patina avatars video and doing the dance in the morning along with other celebratory things.

At lunchtime, we invite all Year 6 parents to join us for a socially-distanced picnic on the Rec at 12 noon. I know arrangements are being made among parents for shelters and gazebos to be used in case of wet weather or extreme heat. After lunch, we will have a formal gathering where Year 6 will perform some dances for you and presentations will be made.

In the afternoon, weather permitting, we will hold a Year 6 versus parents rounders match. I wonder who will be most competitive... Further details below.

On Friday, July 17th, again weather permitting, we thought it would be nice to have a tea party for Year 6 and their parents on the Rec in the early afternoon when the rest of the school has gone home. 1.30pm would be the start time for this. Families, as with the picnic on July 3rd, would have to bring their own tea and cake as food cannot currently be shared.

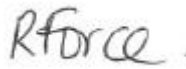
We are creating a video for the children which will incorporate events in the last couple of weeks of term. This video will be edited and sent out to you between July 3rd and July 21st.

Year 6 2020 may have had a disrupted year, but we hope we can send them off in style, and look forward to seeing you all to celebrate.

Yours sincerely,



Mr S James



Mrs R Force

Dates:

Wednesday 1st: film

Thursday 2nd : sword-fighting and role play; sports fun; water fight

Friday 3rd : Patina Party; family picnic 12 noon followed by rounders match

Friday 17th: tea and cake (weather permitting) 1.30pm

Water Fight.

If children wish to use water balloons (and are prepared to pick up all the little bits of plastic from the Rec afterwards!), I suggest that they bring a bucket with them ready-filled. Years of experience tell us that the taps in school just aren't up to the job of filling them, especially if there are lots of children wishing to fill at the same time. Super soakers are the best thing to use. Children will need to bring a complete change of clothes for afterwards. It is best if they wear swimming shorts/costumes under t-shirts and shorts; they will be able to change into these before the event. Please make sure they bring a towel! As they can't all get into the toilets to change at once due to our indoor distancing rules, if you would like to take your child home to dry off, that is fine. The water fight will be at 2.30pm – 2.50pm. Spectators are welcome...

Rounders.

Everyone will need to wash their hands after lunch and before the match. There will be a bucket of soapy water and hand sanitiser by the batting team to be used before picking up a bat and when returning to the team. Hands will be washed again in between innings and at the end of the match.