

# ★ Final Newsletter!!



14th July 2023

I can't believe that I am writing to you for the very last time – these last weeks have flown by and we are now on countdown to the end of the year!

As much as I will miss my lovely class, they are now ready to move up into the juniors and to face new challenges and experiences. Having taught Year 3 and 4 for many years at St. Peter's, I know that the children will love Key Stage 2 and I am sure they will settle into their new surroundings quickly.

You may be aware that we all swapped into our new classes at the beginning of last week so that the children could meet their new teachers and familiarise themselves with their new surroundings in preparation for their return to school in September.

We have spent time reflecting on this last year together and all the many happy memories – the visit to the Toy Museum last October, our Harvest service in church, performing our Nativity on stage, the World Cup in December, class concerts and parties, 'Game of Beans', The Great Fire of London drama day, squeaky chicken and the class bears, Autumn forest school, Cinderella at Newark Theatre... – the list goes on but I think almost every child agreed that our residential visit to Beaumanor Hall in March was the best thing ever!



HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF OUR HAPPY MEMORIES!

This week, we were able to watch a dress rehearsal of the Year 5 and 6 end of year show in the school hall. The children really enjoyed it and were a fantastic audience.

We were also treated to a bowling session up on the green last Wednesday – both adults and children loved it and as always, the children behaved beautifully.

I will be collecting all school reading books in at the beginning of next week and would appreciate it if you could check if you have any other schoolbooks lurking around at home. I have reminded the children that it is important to keep their reading going over the summer holidays with either their own books or ones from the library. All reading books need to be returned to school by Wednesday 19th July – thank you!

We would like the children to bring in a small board game or some Top Trumps to use next Wednesday morning if they would like to. Please do not send anything electronic or a game that has lots of small parts that could get lost. We have a small selection of board games in school also.

We are also hoping to have a little Key Stage 1 party on Wednesday afternoon (if we are able to use the hall) to celebrate the end of the school year – children do not need to bring anything for this and should wear their normal school uniform.

One last thing – it would be really helpful if you could send a named plastic bag on Monday or Tuesday (or any other kind of small bag) into school for your child to carry various pieces of work/art shirts/any other belongings home next week. – thank you!

I hope you are able to come along to school for our open afternoon on Monday – the children will be able to share all of their work with you (in the school hall) if you are able to attend. You are welcome to do this at any time between 1.30pm and 4.30pm.

Well that's it! All that is left for me to say is that I have absolutely loved teaching your children this last year. As I have said on many occasions, this has been one of my favourite classes ever and I genuinely mean that! I shall be interested to watch this group flourish in the juniors and hope that they will still speak to me when they are in Year 6!

As always, I am SO grateful for all of your support, lovely comments and kindness this year – you have been a truly wonderful group of parents/carers and I really hope you all have a lovely summer break whatever you are doing!

Kindest regards,

Mrs Gilbey ☺ x

