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Newsletter – July 2019

Child's Name:

Year Sixes – Looking Back and Looking Forward



Our children's success is not defined by SATs results they merely reflect and confirm how they accept challenges. Adopting a positive approach to everything and adhering to Mundy Junior School's 'Be Statements' is what helps the children to be well rounded individuals. 'Being Determined' and 'Being Proud' play a significant role in our children doing as well as they do. The Year Sixes' SATs results are the best ever for Mundy Junior School since the assessment system changed in 2016. They are also significantly above the national averages. I think the children have more than earned the celebrations on Friday (19th July) of their Graduation Ceremony (2.00pm) and Ball (6.00pm – 8.00pm). As I indicated above, the academic success is the tip of a much bigger iceberg. I am sure that everyone would join me in wishing our Year Sixes all the best for the future, which I am sure will be very successful for each and every one of them.

Dan Magness – World Record holder

We recently welcomed Dan Magness, multiple world record holder into school and all of our children had the opportunity to develop ball juggling skills of their own. They might not yet be ready to maintain a football in the air for 24 hours whilst walking across London but they certainly enjoyed trying to master a number of different skills.



P.T.A.'s Sponsored Walk and Open Air Disco



The P.T.A.'S Annual Sponsored Walk was a great success, raising in the process £931 so far (please feel free to pop any in to the office if you have still be collecting it ☺). The weather was dry, which was a relief and the ample amount of trees enabled us to keep in the shade for most of the way around. The children certainly earned their ice lollies (thank you P.T.A.) after they had enjoyed a picnic lunch in the grounds of the old Shipley Hall. The P.T.A. also ran another successful disco,



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which at this time of year involves the children who will be joining us as year 3s in September. We made a last minute decision to try the disco outdoors on the school field, which the children have told us they really enjoyed. It might not be as successful in December! So far we have had no complaints from the neighbours, so we might try it again next summer.

David Nieper



Our 'Make Do and Mend' group recently visited the David Nieper clothing factory in Alfreton. Along with a number of schools they had entered various Alien creations made from recyclable materials. For the second year running one of our entries was successful in obtaining the first prize, another one to add to the collection. Although it's not all about winning it is great to have recognition for our creations that are ECO friendly.

School Parliament – Outdoor Play Equipment Update

The School Parliament have met with various Outdoor Play Equipment companies for site visits to look at specific possibilities and to price what our options are to refurbish and enhance the outdoor area of school. The School Parliament's 'Select Committee' was very closely involved in these meetings and we await the various quotes with much interest.



Farewell to Mr. Hutchinson



After 9 years at Mundy Junior School Mr. Hutchinson is moving on to pastures new at the end of term. We would like to thank him for his dedication, particularly to the development of sport at Mundy Junior School. During his time with us we have become one of the most successful schools in competitions across the county, especially when you factor in the relative size of our school. He leaves with our best wishes for the future.

Mr. Start, our Amber Valley School Sports Partnership coach, who already works with the children, will become more directly involved with competitions. Mrs. Knighton' will of course continue with her pivotal role and Mr. Betts as P.E. Co-ordinator will be taking on some of the responsibility as well.

Final Sports' Update From Mr. H.

It has been a busy few weeks since the last newsletter, have a look below at what we have competed in;

Boccia - After becoming Amber Valley Champions of Boccia earlier in the year we took part in the Derbyshire School Games Boccia County Finals and finished 4th in Derbyshire!

Girls Kwik Cricket - Our Girls Kwik Cricket Team took part in the Amber Valley Girls Kwik Cricket Tournament and finished 4th in Amber Valley! They also helped field for the other participating schools including the winning team.



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Tough Runner - We took 3 teams (12 children) to the Tough Runner Event. The event consisted of a large and extremely tiring Obstacle Course and some team building games. Our children excelled in them all and demonstrated all of our 'Be Statements'.

Orienteering - We took 4 teams (16 children), more than any other school, to the Amber Valley Orienteering Competition. None of our teams placed in the top 3 but all of our children demonstrated good orienteering skills as well as excellent team work.

For a round up of how we have done in sporting competitions this year, there will be an overview for 2018/19 which will be produced shortly. The headlines for this year are that **88%** of our children represented the school in at least one sporting event and we were **Champions of Amber Valley** in **7** different sports. An amazing achievement.



School Crossing Patrol



The authority, as you will have noticed, advertised for a relief crossing patrol to help in times when we are without our usual staff. If you feel that you would like to 'give it a go' please give the authority a ring on: 01629 539157. As a relief you are not committed and can pick when you work and for how long so it does tick some boxes – why not give them a ring and pop your name down.

End of Term

The school year for ther children ends on Friday 19th July and begins again on Wednesday 4th September. From all at Mundy Junior, we hope you enjoy whatever holidays you have planned.



Dates for your Diary 2019/2020 – see attached sheet



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SUMMER TERM 2	
Friday 19th July	Graduation Ceremony (parents invited) 2.00pm
Friday 19th July	Graduation Ball – 6.00-8.00pm
Friday 19th July	Last day of term for children
Monday 22nd July	INSET 5
Academic Year 2019/2020	
Autumn Term 1	
Tuesday 3rd September	INSET 1
Wednesday 4th September	First day of term for the children
Friday 25th October	End of term
Autumn Term 2	
Monday 4th November	Start of 2 nd Half-Term
Friday 20th December	End of 2 nd Half-Term
Spring Term 1	
Monday 6th January	First day of term for the children
Friday 14th February	End of first Half-Term
Monday 24th February	INSET 2
Spring Term 2	
Tuesday 25th February	Start of 2 nd Half-Term
Friday 3rd April	End of 2 nd Half-Term
Summer Term 1	
Monday 20th April	First day of term for the children
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 22nd May	End of first Half-Term
Summer Term 2	
Monday 1st June	Start of 2 nd Half-Term
Saturday 20th June	Horticultural and Agricultural Show – 12.00pm – 4.00pm
Monday 22nd June	INSET 3
Friday 17th July	End of school year for the children
Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July	INSETS 4 and 5



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