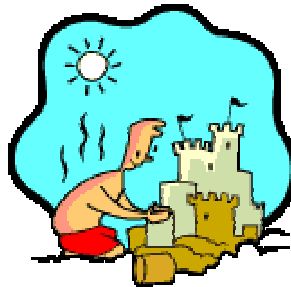


Summer Newsletter No. 3
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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The end of term is approaching rapidly with staff working hard to **complete reports, organise activities, outings and special events**. As I write, the **Year 6 Camp** is underway and we extend our best wishes and gratitude to staff involved. Likewise, the **Year 5 French** cultural visit was an overwhelming success. The extensive organisation and the 24 hour staff support associated with such ventures is greatly appreciated as it is extremely tiring and involved.

VSSE

As this is possibly the final newsletter of the academic year, may I take this opportunity of thanking parents for supporting us during our validation year and staff for their dedication and professionalism.



We were very pleased with the report and welcome the praise as well as the positive advice for future progress.

Fund raising for Sierra Leone



Our School Council voted to support this charity and so far, thanks to the energy and initiative of the pupils, we have raised £600+ which sends 100 children back safely to school.

I was proud and moved to see the mature, responsive way the Council and children have approached this initiative.

Mr. Henry has agreed to have a **'VERY SHORT HAIRCUT'** on **Thursday, 19th July**. It will cost 20p to watch with funds going towards the Sierra Leone Fund.



Library books -£5,000 worth missing

You probably do not realise that unreturned Library books to the value of **£5,000** are missing



PLEASE CHECK AT HOME AND RETURN ANY OUTSTANDING BOOKS by the last week of term.

Shoebboxes

Please remember the PTA Shoebox appeal which will commence early next term. If you buy new shoes, please keep the boxes for us.

Read, Write Inc.

Next term we shall be trialling Read, Write Inc, a scheme designed to improve reading and writing through focused teaching of phonics. This will replace many of our Literacy Hour lessons for the coming term and indications are high that this will have a positive impact upon basic literacy standards.

There will be a special information evening for parents early next term. Meanwhile, please visit:- www.ruthmiskinliteracy.com and open parents section. Within this you can open an informative letter or download the powerpoint slick show which teaches children the correct sounds in a fun interactive way.



Important dates

10-13 th July	Year 6 Camp
13 th July	Reports to Parents
16 th July	School Swimming Sports 1pm
17 th July	Y4 Fun Day
18 th July	Y5 Fun Day
	Y6 Leavers' Evening
19 th July	Y3 & Infant Fun Days
20 th July	1pm School Ends
3 rd Sept.	Staff Training Day
4 th Sept.	Pupils return to school.

Yours faithfully,

K.M. Hinshaw