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Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

ParentApps

We are always looking to improve forms of communication with parents. As you may have noticed, we have changed our website recently. This is going to be as part of a package which will soon include 'Parentapps', an app which you will be able to download which will allow you to view a great deal of information and interact with school via your smart phone/tablet (please see the information from the company overleaf). The website is not quite fully populated but does have key information on and this will be something I will be adding to over the next few weeks. The aim is to have as many parents as possible with access to the app and website before the summer finishes so that we can be up and running in September, so please engage with us when the company send you further details.

Grounds

You've probably noticed the amount of work going on on the school field. Mersey Forest, with support from Rainford in Bloom, are continuing to improve the grounds and are currently working on developing some new planters and a path to a sensory garden in the corner of the field. In the future, we want to utilise these areas so that we can have such activities as den building, vegetable and herb growing which can be used by the kitchen, and an outside classroom with seating in the trees. We are looking to bid for training for staff to best utilise these areas within our curriculum.

The den building materials are being gathered outside Year 3. Please ensure that your children do not play with the branches at drop off or home times – some of the branches are large and need adult supervision.

I'd like to thank the children and parents who have also helped with either resources or giving their time and also thank the children, particularly on the junior playground, who have been so patient and sensible whilst the work has taken place. All this work has been fully funded by Mersey Forest and for this we are very grateful.

Sports Round Up

Well done to our Sports teams once again. Our Year 3/4 dodgeball team finished in 3rd place (and played well despite having to take cover from the thunder!) Our Year 6 girls cricket team finished runners up as did our Year 5 cricket team. Yesterday our Quadkids from year 3/4 performed well but as I write this we are still awaiting the results.

Summer Fayre

Thank you for your kind donations over the past two weeks. We are asking the children that if they remember the non-uniform, then to also remember the actual donation too so if you are dropping off donations later then please let your child know as they can get anxious if they haven't brought anything in the morning – we are of course grateful whenever you donate.

Sports Day

Sports Day is on Thursday 27 June: EYFS- 9.30am; KS1-10.30am; KS2-1.45pm. Please ensure your child has kit in on that day.

Staffing

Miss Bennett has been successful in gaining a promotion and so will be leaving us at the end of the academic year to take up a post at Hunts Cross Primary. Miss Bennett will be sorely missed by everyone and I'd like to thank her for all her hard work, especially this year, making a successful transition from Year 5 to Year 2 and helping to guide the children through their SATs.

We have advertised for a new teacher and once the appointment has been made we will be in a position to inform you all of classes for next year. This will be done before the children's transition mornings on the 5th and 12th July.

Also leaving us will be Mrs Cadd (formerly Miss Connor) who is moving jobs to work in a nursery. Again I'd like to thank her for all her work both as a Teaching Assistant but also as a play assistant in breakfast club.

And finally, Miss Whittle wants you all to know that she is expecting her first child. We are all delighted for her as I'm sure you are too.

Warmest regards

Mr Reece
Headteacher

