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Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

Firstly, thank you to everyone who attended our Summer Fayre last weekend. It was a hugely successful day and enjoyed by all. The FOSJ as always did a brilliant job and I am extremely grateful to them. At the last count the amount raised was just over £3000 which is brilliant and much needed at a time when we are constantly thinking of ways of generating money to spend on our children. The Musical Extravaganza was fabulous on Monday evening - the children performed confidently and we raised £45 for the charity CHICKS (Country Holidays for Inner City Kids) - who offer free week-long respite breaks for underprivileged children from across the UK.

The leavers' Mass was lovely and prayerful on Wednesday morning and my thanks goes to Father Colin who made it personable and reverent for our children. Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Knowsley Safari park and took great pleasure in teaching me that a group of zebra is called a 'dazzle' and a group of ostrich is called a 'wobble' - oh how we laughed!

Year 2 enjoyed their donkey and carousel ride in Blackpool, they learned how to make rock and told me about the RNLI (Royal National Lifeboat Institution) and a little boy described their day in Blackpool as "totally sick and epic!" Lots of learning and lots of fun had by both classes.

My thanks goes out to all our teachers who plan and deliver such high quality lessons and trips all year round and create such fond memories for our children. Thank you to Governors and Parent/Carer helpers who volunteered to accompany the classes on these trips.

Don't forget to check your child's/children's bags tonight because their end of year report has gone home with them today. I have had the privilege of reading ever child's report and am so proud of all our children and staff who have had a hugely successful year.

Please remember to bring library books and home reading books back into school by Monday 17th July

and

Please take PE kits home to be washed.

I have an idea, but I can't do it on my own...

Are there any parents/carers/staff who are willing to come into school on Wednesday or Thursday 30th or 31st August to help to paint the interior and exterior of our school?

It will be like DIY SOS with lots of bodies and paint brushes.

If anyone knows any tilers, or joiners or any tradesmen who are willing to give perhaps an hour of their time to help us, we would be extremely grateful.

We have created a 'wish list' of jobs to complete over the Summer break so that our school is bright and fresh for all our wonderful children when they come back on 5th September to start their new year.

It is only what they deserve. Unfortunately, we do not have the funds to complete half of my 'first' wish list (and our fabulous school is looking a little tired and jaded)

so I am relying on the good will and kind hearts of our lovely community - the family that is **St Joseph's**.

If you are interested please come to a meeting Tuesday 18th July at 3.30pm in school hall - at which we can finalise some plans. **Thank you.**

Dates for your diary

Monday 17th July - amended date Sponsored event for Key Stage 1

Tuesday 18th July - BLUE WHALES are the overall winners this year and are allowed to come to school in their own clothes and have extra play.

Wednesday 19th July Year 6 Leavers' Assembly in the school hall at 9.15am.

Friday 21st July - Toy day for everyone - No electronic toys please.

Please 'like' our FOSJ Facebook page - The more shares, comments and likes we get the better our communication becomes - thanks.

FOSJ Bonus Ball: £25.00 Prize - Wednesday 12th July 2017 - Bonus Ball number 18 - lucky winner Reece Stones.

This weeks' Superstars/Lunchtime Friday Top Table

A very big well done to the following children who have been making an extra special effort, been a credit to themselves and have earned the most team points for their classes this week. **As an added bonus 'Top Table' winners will earn an extra ten points for their team!!**

Reception - Isabelle Taylor

Year One - Ava Salvador

Year Two - Sonny Coleman

Year Three - Liam Dungey

Year Four - Braydon Doherty

Year Five - Maddie Andrews/Tanya Chikombe

Year Six - Everlyn Courtney

Extra-Curricular Clubs and Sporting Fixtures for week beginning 17th July 2017

Wednesday - Multi - skills for Reception class

Quote of the week

Reception class enjoyed their Pirate afternoon and said, "I loved it when we crept into the cave and when the parrot came out of the bag" Another said, "I enjoyed the treasure hunt" whilst a little boy proudly announced, "I held the telescope and the treasure map."

Pure joy! Have a lovely weekend. Miss M Daley