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To all Parents/Carers,

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Proof that our Year Sixes had a fantastic residential at Lea Green (see right!). This time next year it will be the turn of our Year Fives...the countdown begins!

It is quite a busy week at school next week with Monday to Thursday all about Sports Days for FS2, KS1, LKS2 and UKS2. The forecast looks ok but we will be keeping a close eye on the weather just in case it tries to scupper our best laid plans! My son's Sports Day was cancelled due to an absolute deluge of rain so if we have to make the same unfortunate decision then please keep an eye out for any parentmails! Just a quick reminder, if you can, to dress your child in the colours of their house:

Royce: **Red**
Strutt: **Blue**
Wright: **Yellow**
Nightingale: **Green**



If it is a warm day and the sun is out, please remember to send your child to school with a hat, plenty of water and suncream. Whilst on the subject of water, please can you also make sure your child only has water in their water bottles for the classroom. In this last week we discovered Ribena and Lucozade! Not only are they full of sugar, they are very difficult to get off clothes, books and tables should there be any spillages!

In other news, our association with Bridge the Gap (<https://www.jwbridgethegap.com/events>) continues to grow and they have now confirmed that they will offer sessions for parents who are concerned about their child's mental wellbeing. They provide ways to support your child and a safe space to share any worries or anxieties. A few of our parents have just completed the three-week course and said how fantastic it was. If this is something you might be interested in, then drop a confidential email to the office – the plan is to offer six three-week blocks throughout next year with one every half term. Each block has room for ten parents so if you are keen then let us know. Further details about times etc will follow.

And finally, it's the PTFA's biggest event of the year tomorrow – the Summer Fair! It promises to be a fantastic occasion and a huge thank you to the PTFA for spending countless hours of their own time organising it all. The weather looks good so get there for 1pm when the doors open. Speaking of the PTFA, this time next year our current committee will have all stood down after three brilliant years. They are big shoes to fill but I am asking you now, a little ahead of time, to consider whether you would be willing to get involved. The PTFA raised over £18,000 last year and their dedication and support is integral to a lot of what we do in school and the direction we are going in. Without them, well...it is too difficult to think about, such would be the loss!! If you are keen, please speak to Helen Joy and she would be happy to talk a bit more about the roles which will be available.

Have a nice weekend and see you tomorrow!

Mr I. Johnson