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Dear Parent/Carer

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Staff changes

This week we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Rudnik. Mrs Rudnik has been the mainstay of the Reception Class for 22 years and she will be sorely missed. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Rudnik for all her hard work and commitment over the years and wish her a very happy and healthy retirement. I would also like to express my thanks to Mrs Winter who is retiring for the second time! Mrs Winter has worked in Reception Class on Fridays for the last few years and when needed, has always stepped in at the last minute to cover. I am delighted to say that Mrs Meays will be the Reception Class Teaching Assistant from September. Mrs Sturla will continue to cover release time for teachers.

Year 6

Year 6 has had a very busy end to their time here at St Leonard's. They have experienced a few days at PGL, completing challenges, achieving things they never thought they could do and generally having a great time! Thank you to Mr Iles and Mrs Shipman who accompanied the children on the trip. The class has also enjoyed a bowling session and lunch at Tenpin. On Friday 13th July the children organised a 'Tea Party' for some of the residents of the village who were invited to school to have a cream tea and to be entertained by the pupils. A great time was had by all! We are aiming to make this a regular event in the school calendar. Thank you to Mrs Jankinson who helped to make the tea and coffee.

I would like to wish all the Year 6 the very best for the future as they move onto their new secondary schools.

Reception/Class 1

Congratulations to all the children involved in the Reception/Class 1 performance of 'Animals' last week. The singing was superb and the audiences all thoroughly enjoyed it! Thank you to all the staff who work extremely hard to make sure these performances can take place.

Sports Day/Area Sports

Thank you to everyone who came and supported us at Sports Day. We were blessed with very fine weather! Thank you to all the parents/carers who loaned us shelters for the day - it made a huge difference to provide shade for the children.

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On Tuesday 10th July, a number of children represented the school at Area Sports. We competed against Westrop Primary and Southfield Junior School - and won! Well done to all those involved.

Website

As I mentioned in an earlier newsletter, we have been working behind the scenes to improve the website. The plan is to go live with the new website in the first week in September. As part of the website, the school will also have its own Twitter account!

Art Competition

To coincide with the Open Garden weekend and Scarecrow Trail in Blunsdon, the village ran an art competition to design the front cover of the magazine. On Monday, Mrs Summers and Mr King presented prizes to Libby Cardall, Ava Moore, Kathleen Pendle and Lilly Matthews. Thank you to Hills Builders for generously donating the prizes, Mrs Summers for organising the competition and Mrs Ockwell for arranging the exhibition in St Leonard's Church.

Summer Fete

Thank you to everyone who supported the summer fete. A fantastic total of £2000 was raised which, combined with other fund raising events during the year means that we will be able to purchase an additional interactive screen! Thank you to everyone who gave up their valuable time to organise and run stalls.

End of Term Service

Our end of term service will be held at St Leonard's Church on Thursday 26th July at 9.30am. You are all welcome to join us. Children will return to school after the service and school finishes at the usual time of 3.10pm.

End of the year

I would like to thank everyone, children, staff, parents/carers and Governors for their support this year, my first as Head Teacher. I consider it to be a huge privilege to serve in this position. I hope you all have a wonderful summer break and I look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 3rd September.

Yours sincerely

Nicky Mills