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## Friday 7th July 2023

## Gentleshaw Grapevine

At this time of year there is always a huge amount going on in school and not a second to spare! Last week some children in year 3- 6 took part in the FGT athletics competition at Moat Hall Primary Academy. The children were fantastic and our year 3 girls came 3rd out of all of the academies taking part.

A huge thank you to FROGS and the volunteers who made last Friday's summer fayre possible. Although the rain wasn't ideal, we didn't let it dampen our spirits and it was a lovely event. Thank you for all of your bottle, chocolate, teddy and raffle donations – our families are incredibly generous.

Thank you all for your sponsorship money for 'Sports for All'. Not only did the children have a great time and get to meet an Olympian but we are also able to purchase some new sports equipment for our children to use.

Reports went home yesterday and we hope that this has given you a greater insight into your child's success over the academic year. Please complete the slip to confirm you have received this and return it to school with your child.

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Have a wonderful weekend.



### **Dates for your Diary**

Year 6 Bikeability: Mon 10th July 9.30am

Last week of Clubs: Mon 10th July 9.30am

Year 6 Leavers Performance: Tues 18th July 6pm

Yr 6 Parents Only.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly: Fri 21st July 9.30am

School Closes at 2pm: Friday 21st July

Squirrels Close at 4pm: Friday 21st July

Inset Day: Monday 24th July

Inset Day: Tuesday 25th July

Summer Holidays: Wednesday 26th July

Inset Day: Monday 4th September

School Opens to Children: Tuesday 5th September

## IMPORTANT Morning Drop-Off

We want all of our children to come into school safely each morning.

Before 9.00am parents of nursery children may be waiting inside the school gate, as they have a later start time. However to prevent blocking the entrance and to allow children into the building quickly, we kindly ask that parents of children in reception to year 6 do not accompany children up to the steps and door. This enables the space to be clear and prevents a congregation of people which blocks other children trying to enter the academy.

Thank you for your support in keeping our children safe.

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## The Last Day of Term

School Finishes for the summer at 2.00pm on Friday  $21^{st}$  July.

Although school officially closes at 2.00pm, to try and ease congestion around the academy, you can collect your child from the usual place from the following times:

Nursery & Reception	1.40pm
Year 1 & 2	1.45pm
Years 3 & 4	1.50pm
Years 5 & 6	2.00pm



In preparation for September 2023, please find below details of the new classes:

EYFS	Mrs Goodsir
Year 1	Miss Martin & Mrs Armiger
Year 2	Mrs Daley
Year 3	Miss Beaman
Year 4	Miss Tunnicliffe
Year 5	Miss Jones
Year 6	Miss Spencer

The children will be spending some time with their teacher in their new classroom on Friday  $14 \, \text{th}$  July.

#### **NEW STAFF**

I'm excited to share that Mrs Daley will be joining us in September and teaching year 2. Mrs Daley is currently working at St John's Primary, another academy within Future Generation Trust. She is extremely excited to be joining the Gentleshaw team and cannot wait to meet our wonderful children properly. Mrs Devlin will not be with us in September as she is having a baby!

### **SPANISH DAY – 5th September**

School opens to our children on Tuesday  $5_{th}$  September. At the academy our children are taught Spanish and for the first week back years 1-6 will be learning about all things Spanish! It's going to be a fantastic week and on the Friday children are invited to dress up with a Spanish theme. This could be colours of a flag, traditional dress or something imaginative!

### **FINAL DAY TIMING REMINDERS**

2.00pm finish reminder Squirrels until 4.00pm

#### **PLACES**

Do you know anyone that would like to join our Gentleshaw family? We have spaces available in years 3 and 4 and limited Nursery hours for September. Anyone interested should contact the academy office.

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