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Our book this week has been Commotion in the Ocean which the children have really enjoyed!

In FS2 the children have created their own sea creatures which have varied from funny, glittery fish to creatures with 10 tentacles!

We have also written GREAT similes to go with them.

In FS1, some fabulous jellyfish, turtles and starfish have been created which are on display outside our classroom.

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the parents who attended parents evening. As you will agree the children have all had a wonderful year and we are all very proud of them!

If you would still like a parents meeting, please see your child's teacher.

In FS2 we have our trip to Alvaston Park on Wednesday, if you are available we would appreciate any help, thank you

Wow! What a GREAT week we have had. The children really enjoyed their trip to Twycross Zoo. They loved meeting all the different animals that they have been learning about in science, and even got to meet some meerkats. The children couldn't resist sharing their knowledge on meerkats with one of the zoo keepers (he was very impressed!) We had so much fun doing all the fun activities too; we walked through a butterfly forest, fed some beautiful parrots, and even visited Monkey Kingdom!

What a fantastic fortnight we've had in Year 2! The children worked extremely hard to learn about all the different features of poetry and were able to produce some great poems all about water. Last week the children received a letter from Mr Chow living in the Amazon Rainforest asking for their help to build a suitable, strong shelter that would protect him. The children got straight to work and used the Wyndham Woods to learn about materials and collect them to build excellent shelters. This was something they really enjoyed! Having spoke to many proud parents at parents evening both Mr Holden and I would like to say a huge well done to all of the children in Year 2 for the GREAT progress they have made this year.

Year 3 have enjoyed a great term learning through the book 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid.' We had a fantastic trip to the park and even did lots of things we didn't plan to, such as making music with nature and building habitats.

We are looking forward to an exciting Sports Day this Friday. We'll be taking part in the running, relay and egg and spud race. Please feel free to join us from 9.15 am

Thank you to everyone who has made an appointment for parent's evening, it was lovely to share your children's achievements with you.

If you haven't yet made an appointment, please come in to arrange an appointment. We also would like to say a huge well done and thank you to all of the children and parents who attended the Derby Music Centre concert at Landau Forte last week, the children were amazing and we are extremely proud of them! The next few weeks are going to be busy as we're preparing for transition into year 5.

Our over night camping is going ahead on Friday 22nd July. If you have a tent that you can lend us, please send it into school clearly labelled as we want to ensure that we have enough equipment for everyone

We have had another busy few weeks in year 5. We have been writing the next chapter of Matilda imagining new pranks to play on Miss Trunchbull. We have been practicing speech marks and making sure to include them in their writing.

In maths we have been looking at the area of compound shapes; we have been ripping them up and rearranging them to prove our answers are correct!

In IT we have been making our own music machines using computer programming and then composing our own music using our finished programme! We have also filmed and edited our own videos for the school YouTube channel which will hopefully be coming soon!

Year 6 have had a very busy few weeks with lots of exciting events taking place and news! Firstly, the children's SATs results have been released. We are so proud of the amount of effort, dedication and hard work the children put in and the results really reflect this so a huge 'well done' to all Year 6 pupils, you have done so well and should be proud! The children have been given their results verbally but these will also be noted on their end of year report which will be given out during parents evening on Monday 25th July. The children are also getting ready for their next journey at their new schools with them having transition week last week. The children seem really positive about the experience and have enjoyed getting to know new friends and gaining new experiences. A reminder that Noel Baker students also have a sports morning on Tuesday 12th July and need to meet at Wyndham for 8:30am in their school PE kit. They will be walking to Noel Baker with staff who will accompany them for the morning before returning to school. If you have any further questions regarding transition into Year 7, please speak to Miss Rickett or Mrs Hemmings.

This week is also extremely busy as we have a sleepover on Tuesday 12th July and the end of year trip taking place on Thursday 14th July to Drayton Manor. A reminder also that the end of year production tickets for The Lion King are also now available for £1 each and can be purchased in class. The performances are Thursday 21st July at 2pm and Friday 22nd July at 4pm. The rehearsals and prop making are going phenomenally well with the hugely talented Miss Hursey and Miss Walker so this is definitely not one to be missed!

If you've not managed to catch your child's teacher for parents evening it's not too late! The teachers are happy to try and arrange a meeting time that is best suited to you as they are keen to share your child's amazing learning. We are so proud of the progress of all our children and their attitude to learning!

Summer carnival launches at 2 pm on Friday 15th July on the school grounds. Please join us from then to take part in all of the activities that the classes have planned. If you feel your child is able to manage their own money, then they can bring money in to spend on the stalls. Prices of stalls range from 20p through to a pound. There is a fantastic raffle and silent auction being held as well. Raffle tickets are still on sale from the school office. If you have any unsold books at home please bring them into school. Hope to see you and as many of your friends and family on Friday.

We are fast approaching the end of term - if you have any outstanding money owing for trips, dinners, breakfast club, WASP etc.. please see Miss McCullough in the office to clear your account to prevent it rolling over to next year.

The class photo proofs went out on Friday. If your child did not get one please let the office know. If you would like to order one then please return by this Thursday.

Just a reminder that it is picnic day on Wednesday. We're hoping for lovely weather so that we can all enjoy lunch outside followed by some fun activities.

We will be having our transition days on Monday 18th, Tues 19th and Wed 20th of July. On these days your child will go into the playground and wait for the teachers to come out. The teachers will come out with a large card bearing their name so that you can see which teacher your child is to go to. If your child is moving up to year 3 then they will need to go over to the junior playground. Please remember that juniors go in 5 minutes before the infants!

In this, our last newsletter of the year, I wanted to say that I can't believe how quickly this year has gone! It has been wonderful to welcome so many new families to Wyndham over the year. I have a very privileged role, being able to drop-in to all classes throughout school and I am extremely proud of the learning of all pupils and the learning experiences provided by the teachers. As a National Support School, we hold open days for schools across the country. Last week we had teachers from as far away as London and Cumbria visit Wyndham and they were totally blown away by our ethos of achieving personal greatness, the collaborative learning of the pupils, their use of language to explain their learning and their attitude to learning. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the pupils and parents for your hard work and continued support. I'd also like to thank the staff for their commitment to Wyndham.

Mrs Baines-Chambers (Head of School)

Goodbyes...

Mr Simpson will be taking up another post in Derbyshire and Mr Adams isn't moving too far away, he'll still be teaching within Derby City. Both of these teachers have played a valuable role to the learning of Wyndham children and have contributed to the school above and beyond normal school hours. We wish them both well and hope they find their new posts as enjoyable.

We would also like to say goodbye to Mrs Hardy. Thank you for the support that you have provided to our Foundation Stage during the past year. We wish you all the best.

We also say goodbye to Miss Ryan. Miss Ryan has worked at Wyndham for nearly 8 years and has played a GREAT role in the development of many pupils during her time here. She has also worked extremely closely with the staff at Wyndham, particularly our newly qualified teachers to ensure they have the best start on their chosen career within teaching.

I'm sure you will agree, Miss Ryan adds a sparkle to Wyndham with her infectious laugh and general love for life.

We are sad to be losing her, but Miss Ryan is taking up her new role as an 'Associate Vice Principal' working for the Spencer Trust where she will be able to support a wider range of schools.

We will continue to see and work with Miss Ryan and would like to wish her all the best of luck in her new role.

