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It has been another busy week and it does not look as though things will slow down! We have got lots planned during the rest of the summer term and we hope that you are able to join us for some of the events.

We are looking forward to our picnic on the field next Thursday (26th) to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. If you would like to send in a picnic blanket for your child, that would be great but it is advisable to have your name on it. We hope that you can spare some time after school on the same day to come in and have a look at the Platinum Jubilee art work the children have been doing. It will be displayed on the desks in the classrooms until 4pm. Other events that are happening over the rest of the term are as follows:

Thursday, 26th May – Jubilee picnic on the field

Thursday, 26th May – Jubilee art exhibition Monday, 6th June – Inset day Friday, 10th June – After school disco Monday, 13th June – Group photos (not family)

Thursday, 23rd June — School sports day Thursday, 30th June — Moving up morning Thursday, 30th June — Year 6 to Arnold Hill Friday, 1st July — Year 6 to Arnold Hill Monday, 4th July — Inset day Wednesday, 6th July — 2:45pm Parents open afternoon

Friday, 8th July – FOAV summer fayre **Thursday, 14th July** – Year 3 visit to Brackenhurst.

Friday, 15th July – Year 5 Inspire day at Arnold Hill

Tuesday, 19th July – 6pm Y6 showcase Wednesday, 20th July – 6pm Y6 showcase Tuesday, 26th July – Y6 Leavers' Festival Wednesday, 27th July – Last day of the term More details for some of the events will be sent out nearer the time.

Congratulations to our fantastic boccia team who competed in a competition at the Carlton Academy this week. They played incredibly well and got through to the final just to be pipped at the post. Mrs Lund and Mrs Tinkler were really impressed with their behaviour and attitude and once again our children have made us extremely proud.



I would like to remind you that we try to encourage healthy eating as far as we possibly can and this means that snacks for break time should be fruit or vegetables. We have noticed that a few children have been bringing in biscuits and other sugary snacks to eat.

We will be increasing the price of Club Vale breakfast and after school club sessions from the new school year in September. The price for breakfast club will be £5.00 per session and after school club will be £9.50 per session. The cost of school meals will also increase to £2.50 per day. For those of you who use Club Vale regularly, I am certain you will agree that the service provided by the staff is fantastic and we continue to invest in staff training and equipment for the children. We know that these price increases come at a time when the cost of living is also increasing but this has been necessary as our costs are also going up and we have kept these changes to a minimum. Thank you for your understanding.

Year 6 parents - please can we ask you to check your ParentPay accounts for any credit balances and if you think you need a refund to please request it within the next couple of weeks, thank you. With your child soon moving on to secondary school, the Friends of Arno Vale have organised these lovely autograph



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books and pens which you may purchase for the children to complete and have as a keep sake. The books are £3.75 each and the pens £1.00 each. They are available to purchase now on ParentPay up until 10th June. We will then place the order with the supplier to ensure they arrive in school in time for the children to fill them up with lots of signatures and comments. The picture of the autograph book below is from last year.





The Local Authority has published the School Governor's Year End Financial statement. If you are interested, this can be accessed by following the link below: https://www.arnovale.co.uk/financial-information/

I would like to remind you that at the start of the school day, we ring the bell at 8.50am and we close the doors at 8.55am. If you arrive after this time, you will need to bring your child in via the main entrance as the class register is likely to have closed and the first lesson may have started.

We are currently arranging for guitar lessons in school for children who will be in years 4,5 or 6 in September for the autumn term. These are paid for lessons and places will be limited.

We will be sending out more information and how to book very soon.

Our FOAV have arranged for each year group to produce a tea towel with their self-portraits on them to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. They are available to order now on ParentPay and cost £5 each. The deadline for ordering is Sunday, 5th June at midnight, so please make sure you get your order in by then as we cannot accept any late orders, thank you. Below you can see a sample of one made by the same company for another school.



Community News

I have been asked by a parent to publish this message: One of our Little Champions students is currently in hospital fighting cancer and is going to be there for the next three to four months. We want to help, so on Saturday, 18th June we will be holding a charity Grapple-athon to raise money for the Nottingham Hospitals Charity to support ward E39 at the QMC. Kids will be completing team and jiu-jitsu based challenges and for the adults, we will be doing 9 hours of training! Professor Kev Ayre is starting things off with a seminar at 12.00pm. After that we will have more black belt instructors for back to back classes and training until 9.00pm. Donations are also welcome by following the link https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/grap ple-a-thon?utm_source=facebook



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Above 97%	Less than 6 days absence a year! Excellent attendance! Pupils with this attendance should achieve the best grades they can.
95%	Less than 10 days absence in a year! Pupils with this attendance are likely to achieve their target grades.
90%	20 days absence over the year! Pupils with this attendance are missing a month of school per year and may fall behind in Maths, English and other subjects; it will be difficult for them to achieve their best.
85%	30 days absence in a year! These pupils are missing 6 weeks of school a year! It will be very difficult for them to keep up and achieve their best.
80%	Pupils with this attendance are missing a day for every week of school! It will be almost impossible to keep up with their work.

