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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I would like to start this week's newsletter with a huge thank you.

The Bridge Village Fete was an incredible success and this would not have been possible without the support of so many people: those who organised it; those who ran and manned stalls; the children who took part in performances; people who provided gazebos; companies who provided raffle prizes or other donations; litter pickers; the list goes on. I hope that everyone who came had a great time. I heard several people say that it was the best summer fete that they had been to.

Once we know how much money has been raised, I will let you know but I'd like to think that the money raised is just one of the benefits of the fete – it brings the community together and that is just as important (if not more so!)

### Staffing News

Last week, I wrote about a change in both mine and Mr Taylor's roles next year. I have had a couple of parents come up to me saying that they were sorry to see me go. I would just like to reassure parents that I'm not going anywhere. I can honestly say that I've never been happier than I have been at Bridge School and I'm in no hurry to leave.

### Next Year's Classes

On Thursday, whilst the majority of Year 6 children were at their new secondary schools, the classes spent the day with their new teacher. Walking around the school, I saw lots of smiling faces and the children I spoke to are looking forward to September, as indeed are the new Year R children who were also in school on Thursday.

### Library Books

If you have a school library book at home, please could we have this back ASAP. At the moment, we have a few hundred books out and we'd like to get these back and catalogued ready for September.

### Upcoming Events

#### End of Year Services

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, we will be taking the children to St Peter's Church for our end-of-year service led by Rev. Estella. Parents are invited, and welcome, to attend. These will take place at 9.30am and 10.30am – details will be sent to parents.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'James Tibbles'.

James Tibbles



**Artsmark  
Gold Award**  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England



## Celebration

### Star Pupils

Each Friday, we celebrate children who have impressed the adults in school either through their learning or demonstrating one of our Christian values.

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| ☆ <b>Wren (Ash)</b> for her perseverance in writing full sentences. <i>Miss Smith and Miss David</i>                              | ☆ <b>Ruben (Beech)</b> for his amazing sound collector poem. <i>Mrs Dennett</i>  |
| ☆ <b>Maja (Elm)</b> for always being such a kind, caring friend, who involves everybody. <i>Mr Redpath</i>                        | ☆ <b>Benny (Hazel)</b> for his great understanding and practical application of his statistics learning. <i>Mrs Harvey-Maw and Mrs Kay-Bradley</i> |
| ☆ <b>Zachary (Elm)</b> for the determination and resilience to complete a whole page of writing. <i>Mr Redpath</i>                | ☆ <b>Finn (Holly)</b> for demonstrating excellent interest, knowledge and respect at Canterbury Mosque this week! <i>Mr Ablett</i>                 |
| ☆ <b>Max (Willow)</b> for great listening and giving everything 100%! <i>Mrs Cork and Willow Team</i>                             | ☆ <b>Ella (Maple)</b> for being a shining example of our school values' creativity, excellence and resilience. <i>Miss Allison</i>                 |
| ☆ <b>Betsy (Rowan)</b> for a fantastic start to her 'All about me' book in English this week. <i>Miss Andrews</i>                 | ☆ <b>Lily (Sycamore)</b> for being an amazing poppy coordinator for our play. <i>Mr Wren</i>   |
| ☆ <b>Fearne (Pine)</b> for thoughtful participation in class discussions. <i>Mrs Tomsett and Mrs Hart</i>                         | ☆ <b>Polly (Poplar)</b> for putting so much effort into writing a brilliant letter inviting people to our production. <i>Miss Allen</i>            |
| ☆ <b>Aisling (Oak)</b> for being an absolute super-star on transition day! Well done! <i>Mrs Amelia</i>                           |  |
| ☆ <b>Bea (Chestnut)</b> for making the new student joining our class feel to welcome during transition day. <i>Mr Chamberlain</i> |  |

## Blogs

The best way to keep up to date with what is happening at school is via the school [blog](#).



### Year one fruit salad

Over the last two weeks, Year one designed and made their own fruit



### Recycled textiles workshop

We were delighted to welcome Vicky



### Year 5 Pig Visit 3

This morning, we were visited by 'Steve The Gardener' from The Pig

## Upcoming Dates

All dates and events can be found on our school calendar.

**CALENDAR >**

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 5 trip to Canterbury Mosque	1.30pm KS1 Sports Afternoon	3.30pm PGL Meeting for Year 5 parents
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Mixed Cricket County Finals		
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Nina Dougall (children's author) visiting		
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>			
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	1pm KS2 Sports Afternoon		

<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>			
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 1 trip to Frampton Farm		
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Year 1 trip to Frampton Farm	Year 6 Production – The Wizard of Oz	
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>		Year 6 Production – The Wizard of Oz	
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	End of Year Services		

<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>			
<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	Last Day	2pm: Year 6 Leaver's Assembly	

## Dates for your Diary

<b>Term 6 (Summer)</b>	
<b>KS1 Sports Afternoon</b>	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm
<b>KS2 Sports Afternoon</b>	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July, 1pm
<b>Year 6 Production</b>	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm and 6.30pm
<b>Year 6 Production</b>	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm and 6.30pm
<b>End-of-Year Church Services (parents welcome)</b>	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July, 9.30am and 10.30am
<b>Year 6 Leaver's Assembly (parents welcome)</b>	Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July, 2pm