Parent Council Meeting – Tuesday 7th June 2022

Head Teacher's Report

This will be the final Head Teacher's Report for the current academic year and what a joy it is to be able to report on so many wonderful, lively and interactive events that have been taking place recently.

Since the last Head Teacher's Report back in March, the school has been able to host a series of events that had not been able to take place over the last 18 months or even longer in some cases. It was wonderful to invite all parents and carers into the school over two evenings for Parents' Evening, a true sign that we are finally returning back to where we were over two long years ago.

Only last week, we celebrated the Platinum Jubilee in grand style. Each of our 7 year groups were given a decade of the Queen's reign to research and share with the whole school in our celebration assembly. Costumes reflected each chosen decade from the 1950s up to the present day. As well as this, music and historical facts were heard by everyone in our colourful assembly with a very special surprise guest making a regal entrance in order to be able to hear all about the many events that took place during her reign. There was an art competition split into three categories – P1, P2-4 and P5-7. Pupils were invited to make a portrait of the Queen and the standard was extremely high. Each winner received a well deserved round of applause and the joy on their faces was a picture in itself. With the lovely weather, everyone was treated to a banquet outside to round off a truly special day.

At the end of this week, we will be enjoying our Sports Day and Mrs Strang is busy finalising the preparations for what will surely be another excellent day full of excitement and friendly competition.

You may have noticed that the large tree outside the infant playground has been cut down and removed. The tree was no longer safe and had to be taken away. The wild garden beside this area has been allowed to grow and is already attracting a variety of wildlife and insects that we had not noticed before.

Our new entrants into Primary 1 in August have now completed their three induction days which went very well and we look forward to welcoming them into the school after the summer holidays.

P7 are in the final stages of rehearsals for their Graduation Ceremony next week which will be followed by their Beach Party and we hope the lovely weather we have been enjoying stays with us for both events.

We anticipate being able to send home class lists for next year very shortly once staffing for next year is confirmed by HR. Some of our core staff will be on maternity leave next year and once we receive confirmation of the new teachers for next year we will be able to complete the classification and share it with you.

As always, if there is anything you wish to discuss or if you have any concerns, please use the Headteacher email address at the bottom and I will get back to you as quickly as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

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