

Newsletter

Summer 5: 2022



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been an extremely busy and, once again, a somewhat challenging year at Decoy but a year which has been able to bring back many of the usual school routines. We have enjoyed visitors to school, educational events such as the Space Dome and able-writers' days, competitive sports matches, extra-curricular clubs, school trips, PTA events, including a very successful DecoyFest, and many more activities which have meant that school has once again been able to offer children and the wider community a range of experiences.

It has certainly been a final year in my career that I will remember and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our children, parents/carers and their families for all of the support and understanding that I have received in my time at Decoy School.

Star of the Week Raffle and donations

On the penultimate day of term, Mr Lee was able to hold two annual end of the year raffles for both Reception and KS1, and KS2. This event has proved very popular with the children over the years and this year was no exception. However, none of this would have been made possible without being able to add the kind donations, to our prize pool, from many members of our school community. A huge thank you to all of the parents/carers and school staff who donated prizes which brought many smiles to the children's faces at the end of a busy year.



Whilst we are extremely grateful to everybody who was able to donate prizes, a special thank you must go to Austins Toy Store in Newton Abbot. The owners of Austins got in touch with school recently and kindly offered £150 worth of toys and educational games to put towards our raffle. Needless to say, we were staggered by this generous offer and Mr Lee had great fun visiting the store to choose the prizes. Thank you Austins!

Whole School Photo

As you are aware from recent ParentMails, a whole school photo was taken recently and is still available to be purchased. A reminder that this photograph is available to view and order via the following weblink: <https://htmp.st/210116-294>

You will have the option of free delivery to the school - this window will be open until 1st September and the orders will be processed afterwards. Alternatively, you can pay postage to have your order sent to your home address.

For assistance please call 01736 752411 - Option 3 to place an order or Option 5 for Customer Service.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and Farewell

During the last week of term, we were very lucky to be able to invite family members of our Year 6 children to watch 2 very special Leavers' Assembly performances which looked back at the children's time at Decoy School as well as their dreams for the future. The performances included acting, short film clips, glimpses into the future, singing and stage performances which brought, smiles, laughter and at time tears. It was a very fitting way to end the school year and a happy reminder of the journey that children go on during their primary education. I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all of the Year 6 children for their efforts throughout the year and in their time at Decoy School. We all wish you the very best of luck for your secondary education and for what we hope will be bright and successful futures.

Staff Farewells

As mentioned in previous correspondence, we have also said goodbye to members of our staff team this year. We wish all of them the very best for their futures. All of our staff are also extremely grateful for the generosity shown in the giving of cards, gifts and words of thanks that were received at the end of this year. It goes without saying that, whilst there is certainly no expectation for this, we are always amazed at the kindness shown by our children and their families – thank you

Diary Dates

5th September – first day of the new academic year for the children

Just before I close, I would like to send my best wishes to all Decoy families, past and present and let you know that Decoy shall always hold a very special place in my heart. I am very fortunate to have worked with such a fantastic staff team and dedicated governing body. I know that the community will always be a wonderful 'family' and wish everyone a safe, happy and healthy future.

Kind regards,



Heather Poustie
Headteacher