

GS/AS

11<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Dear Parents / Carers

## END OF TERM NEWSLETTER

What a year! Our children / your children are truly amazing. In the last week alone they have astounded me with their reports, their Sports Day, their smiles, their enthusiasm, the list goes on. It has also been wonderful to see so many of you.

Our Leavers' Assembly yesterday was a massively bitter / sweet celebration. I'm sorry I lost it a bit but was saying farewell to a collective 157 years' experience at our school. I would also like to thank you for the kind and supportive comments from our questionnaire. I assure you that I will do all I can to take on board your ideas and incorporate them into a future plan. When we get to looking at designs I will hold an open meeting. Some people want more information on our temporary move to Alderman Blaxill. Again I am working on this and will give more detailed information as soon as it is available in September.

In September we welcome four new teachers, Mr Thomas, Mr Dwight, Miss Manning and Miss Horner. Mrs Effi is taking a year's secondment and we wish her well. We have also appointed Mrs de Bruyn as a "Go Getter". This is a role devised by ourselves on a trial basis to try and make meaning to post-school life. I will keep you informed of how this is working.

**FAMILY BBQ** - I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Saturday and will try not to burn the burgers!

**WHOLE SCHOOL BBQ** - this year it will take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>. We try to encourage as many of the pupils to take part as possible. The cost is the normal daily rate for dinners of £1.80. Pupils who are in receipt of free school meals do not have to pay. If you would like your son / daughter to take part, could you please send the money in on Monday to enable us to have an idea of numbers for catering purposes. It is normally a fun school event.

**QUASAR SESSION AT RASCALS** - The next session will take place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm. No booking required just turn up on the night. Siblings are welcome and parents / carers are required to stay. Refreshments are available to purchase. The cost is £5 per child, £7.50 for two children or £10.00 for three children up to 19 years of age.

Come along for a chat and meet up with other parents/carers for a fun packed evening. For more information contact Rob on 07891 597611 email [info@playrascal.co.uk](mailto:info@playrascal.co.uk) or see the website [www.playrascal.co.uk](http://www.playrascal.co.uk). Play Rascals, Childrens Play Centre, Telford Road, Gorse Lane Industrial Estate, Clacton on Sea CO15 4LP.

Attached are a number of flyers advertising events and clubs that are taking place during the summer holidays.

The first day of next term is Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September. Looking forward to it!

If I don't see you at the weekend, have the best summer you can.

Yours truly

Gary Smith  
Headteacher