Dear Parents/Carers

We are in the last term of the year! The weather is glorious and the sun is trying to shine! Please make sure your child has sun cream on each morning before school and has a sun hat when the sun does make an appearance. Please note we have INSET day on Monday 2nd June so school is closed.

**Barnstondale**

Our Year 6 residential is quickly approaching. Please make sure you have returned to the office any medication forms. Please note children must be picked up from Barnstondale on Friday 6th June by parents. Children must not take phones or any electronics with them – they are going to have 3 days being electronic free and enjoy being outside. Mrs Duncan will post photos on facebook over the 3 days and if there are any issues Mr Saul (trip leader) will call you.

**Swimming**

Y6 pupils will be going swimming at Leasowe Baths, the weeks of Monday 16th June and 23rd June. As there are so many children they may not go every day, however they will need their swimming kit in school each day. The aim is to teach the children to swim and those who can already swim, to be able to swim 25m. We will use the school minibus to transport the children. The children will require a swimming costume/shorts and a towel – the pool is strict about shorts not being long or baggy so please look carefully at the guidance on the letter. Letters will go out to the children who are attending after half term.

**Electronic devices**

We are having some issues involving phones and tablets on the buses. Some children are accessing the internet and taking photos of other children. For safeguarding reasons this is strictly forbidden. Please make sure cameras are covered on devices and mobile data is turned off. Please talk to your child about how important it is they follow the rules.

**School Jumpers/Cardigans**

School jumpers and cardigans are available to buy from the school office if you get in touch. They will be ready to go home before the end of term. They are the same price as the school uniform shop.

Prices

Jumpers £12 (up to age 12)

Cardigans - £13

School bag - £8

**Transition Day** - **Wednesday 2nd July -** Year 6 children should attend Clare Mount for the day at 9.30am in their Orrets school uniform. Parents will need to drop their child off at Clare Mount as there is no transport provided and pick up at 2.30pm.The rest of the school should

attend school as normal and they will meet their new class teacher and spend time in their new classroom. Clare Mount have also booked in another transition day – **Monday 2nd June 1.30-2.30** for year 6 pupils to attend. This is our school inset day so school is closed, therefore parents should take children to and from Clare Mount themselves.

**Sports Day**

Our annual sports days have been planned for July. Lets hope the sun shines! We have decided to do two sports day again this year, as we feel the younger children have a better experience and increased participation. Parents and carers are invited to their child’s sports day.

 **Zebras, Foxes, Sharks, Owls, Tigers, Giraffes** – **Friday 4th July 10.00 - 12pm**

 **Wolves, Bears, Lemurs** – **Tuesday 1st July 10.00– 12.00pm**

Children should come to school in their sports clothing and should try to wear a top in their team colour if possible. Your child should know which team they are in.

Saturn – Yellow Earth – Green Mars – Red Neptune – Blue

School will be selling cake and drinks. If the weather is warm then please put sun lotion on your child. If it is raining, sports day will be cancelled so please look on Facebook.

**Look at your child’s books**

This term we are inviting you again on Monday 14th July to see how much progress your child has made this year. School will be open for parents to drop in between 9-10.00 to see your child’s books with them. We hope you can attend.

**End of term Assembly/Summer Fair**

On **Friday 18th July** we are holding our end of year assembly, which includes the year 6 leavers’ assembly. The assembly will start at 1pm. All parents and carers are welcome, however please be warned the hall may be very full!

After the assembly, around 1.30pm, it will be our Summer Fair on the playground. Michelle will be working hard putting together stalls and so we hope to raise as much money as possible for the school and the pupils. We will need to know nearer the time if you are **NOT** attending as children will not be allowed outside to the fair without either a parent or a school member of staff. Children can go home with parents from the fair. If parents cannot attend your child will go home as normal on the bus.

**Last day of term**

**Tuesday 22nd July** is the last day of term, we finish at our normal time of 3.30pm. Y6 can bring in shirts to sign. School reopens on **TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER** for pupils.

Thanks for all your support – Mrs Duncan