



William Gilbert Endowed

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

Sports Day

Last year we were faced with a heat wave and this year we are trying to avoid the rain! Following the success of last year's sports day we are making our own arrangements rather than being tied to the slot that Ecclesbourne can offer us.

If the weather is kind, the Infants (Reception – Y2) will hold their sports day on the junior playground on Monday 16th July at 9.15 a.m. Chairs will be provided for parents/family members.

The Juniors (Y3 – Y6) will hold their sports day on Grays Recreational Ground on Tuesday 17th July beginning at 10.30 a.m. Please bring your own chair to this event. If you are able to help at this event, either prior to 10.30 for setting up or during sports day please let your child's teacher know.

No doubt we will all have our eye on the weather forecast and we will have to adapt accordingly.

Instrumental Medleys

Key Stage 2 pupils who are learning to play an instrument will be playing for the rest of the school on the following details:-

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| Violins | Wednesday 11 th July | 11.25 a.m. |
| Brass | Friday 13 th July | 9.30 a.m. |
| Woodwind | Thursday 19 th July | 10.15 a.m. |

Parents of pupils playing in any of the above events are welcome to join us in the school hall.

Farewell Mr Robinson

Mr Robinson, our specialist PE teacher, will be leaving the school at the end of this year in preparation for his emigration to New Zealand. On behalf of Key Stage 2 staff and pupils we thank Mr Robinson for his two years teaching at William Gilbert and wish him and his wife our good wishes for their new life.

We will be making a small presentation to Mr Robinson next week and if you would like to make a contribution please send your good wishes/donations into the office via your child's class teacher by Friday 13th July.

Through our partnership with Amber Valley School Sport and FA Chartership provision for physical education will provide a range of different opportunities and this will be further outlined in September 2007 within your curriculum guidance.

Congratulations Miss Stevenson

No doubt you will have heard the wonderful news that Miss Stevenson gave birth to a baby boy – Billy. Mum and baby are home and both doing well.

Carnival Procession at Little Eaton

Dressed in Christmas costumes from elves to fairies to Santa himself we all sweltered in the warm sunshine on Saturday!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the float and especially Karen Lawley for her wonderful singing – I think we lost count of how many times she sang “I wish it could be Christmas every day ...” but our PA system certainly outclassed everyone else!

Well done to Sophie and Robbie Nelms, Oliver and Katie Marval, Emma and James Bungay, Miranda Parker, Ben and Jessica Lawley, Alice Whyld and Emily Tipping who walked, uncomplaining, the whole of the way. A special acknowledgement to Toby Hooker the only Year 6 pupil to attend even though he got a ride on the float! A few others joined on the way to add their support, which helped to swell the numbers. As for the crowd, some seemed bemused by the Christmas theme in July but most offered their smiles, waves and applause. Thank you if you turned out to see us.

Prize Giving

The schools annual prize giving service will take place on Friday 20th July at 9.30 a.m. Parents and friends of the school are warmly invited to attend.

Yours sincerely

S J Whyld
Headteacher