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Dear Parent/Carers,

Well we appear to have made it, relatively unscathed!

It's been a very busy few weeks leading up to the end of term, crammed with trips to the beach, (although we brought the beach to us on the day due to the somewhat 'sketchy' summer we're having) to the Portland Sailing Academy, to Weymouth College, and a Discovering Dorset Day. Please read on for details of these and the wonderful experiences that our children have had. We've also had our Diversity Day, our Careers Day, both of which were huge successes, our Living Museum, where it is always a pleasure to welcome you into the school and the week has ended with two Sports Days and numerous End of Year parties - again, more on this in the pages below.

A special mention has to be made for our PTA - The Friends of Conifers - for organising and running the Summer Fayre, ably assisted by Miss Jones. It was a tremendous success and managed to raise over four thousand pounds for the school - a staggering amount! I'm not sure how the PTA intend to top that next year - but I have a strong feeling they're going to give it their best shot, so watch this space.

I obviously have to say something about the Year 6 show - The Lion King - as it was, quite simply, a 'roaring' success! I had the opportunity of watching it three times, and in all honesty, my concentration span tends to wonder after the first instalment of anything, but this was on a whole other level. The sheer enthusiasm of all the children felt like a positive force-field. You couldn't help yourself but sing along and smile throughout the entire performance. I salute them all - it was a tremendous spectacle and they were truly amazing. What a wonderful way, to bring to an end, all their years at Conifers Primary - it's been an honour to be a part of their journey, and the school and I wish them nothing but the very best of luck, in wherever their futures take them!



Staffing wise - we say good luck to Mrs Humphries who starts her maternity leave, with baby number two (I'm sure that's not the name they have settled on, but you know what I mean) and we also give our early congratulations to Miss Bament, who, with a relatively simple 'I do' (those of us who are married understand that there's nothing simple at all, in those two words), will return as Mrs Garden.

I'd like to end by thanking all of you who have been able to give up your time to accompany staff and children on the numerous trips, walks to the swimming pool and of course our Careers Day. As always, I thank you all for your continued support for the school and I hope you all have a wonderful summer!

Yours sincerely



Mr Andrew Johnson
Headteacher



Year 2 - Beach experience!

What an exciting day we all had! We did not let the rain stop us from having a great day 'at the seaside'. Even though the children could not go to the beach, we made sure there were lots of activities to explore throughout the day, including; sandcastle art, jellyfish crafts, puppet shows and of course sausage and chips. Our beach day wouldn't have been complete without a visit from the ice cream van! The children's screams of excitement could be heard for miles! What a great day!

Have a brilliant summer!

Miss Anthony & Mrs Thirlwall'



Message from Miss Anthony,



Taking our lessons outside to learn from the world around us.

Please follow the link below to see all our school's year groups enjoying Learning Outside the Classroom.

<https://www.conifers.dorset.sch.uk/learning-outside-the-classroom>

Year 3 Discovering Dorset Trip

The children had a blast walking into Weymouth and watching Inside Out 2 at Cineworld. The children tucked into their popcorn and thoroughly enjoyed the film.

We were lucky with the weather and walked along the esplanade and had a run around on the beach. We then went and spoke to members of the public and filled in our pre prepared questionnaires to know what people thought about Dorset. To finish off the day, we had a yummy Rossi's ice-cream. It was delicious.

There were smiles all around !



Diversity Day

The children took part in our annual Diversity Day. This year, each year group signed a topic. For example, KS1, signed the days of the week and colours. We also signed as a whole school the song 'This is Me'. The children discussed different types of disabilities and how we are all unique. Additionally, the children learnt to say hello in several different languages. It was a lovely day to celebrate differences and know that we are all equal and one of a kind.

Thank you for your continued support making these days such a success.

Miss Samuel

