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Dear Parents/Carers and Friends. The next few weeks prior to summer are probably some of the busiest of the whole year and part of this time is 'test season'. Whilst I firmly believe testing isn't always the most effective way of measuring a child's ability – or anyone's for that matter, we do take it seriously and over the next few weeks both our **Year 2 and Year 6 children** will be taking their SATs tests. As we do every year in order to assess progress and development, all the other year groups will undertake tests too, all of which are delivered in as an relaxed environment as possible. Parents will be informed when tests are to take place so that children can have earlier nights etc.

Thanks to Mrs Duffy for organising on Monday and Wednesday the '**North Wales Owl Sanctuary**' to bring their beautiful Owls into school. The birds were amazing and captivated the children with their presence to the point where you could hear a pin drop. Despite the name, the sanctuary staff live in Rossendale and were great at communicating the needs of the birds to the children.

The '**Fantastic Mr Fox**' book and film night held in church last Saturday evening was a great success with a lot of people in attendance. Look out for news about the next one.



It's not too many weeks away from the **Diamond Jubilee** which is officially being celebrated on Monday and Tuesday 4th and 5th of June. Even for those who may not fully appreciate the 'monarchy' this is still a once in a lifetime event and only the 2nd time in history that it has happened. On Thursday 31st May we are having a street party lunch like we did for the Royal wedding and the children will be able to dress in Red, White and Blue for the day, wear hats, wave flags etc, etc. We will be having a special 'Jubilee dinner', details to follow soon.

Don't forget that it's the '**May Day**' Bank Holiday on Monday 7th and school is not open.

Please continue sending in your old and unwanted specs so that **Hayley, Amy and Mercede** can organise them and then send them where they will help people the most. The girls are doing a great job and are very enthusiastic with regard to helping people in other countries. **Thanks** for those you have already sent in – any more pairs would be very welcome.

Adrian Bowden's Travelling Science Show was great as usual and whilst it costs school quite a lot to have it, it is well worth it. His practical demonstrations of science really fire up the imagination and thinking of the children - they all benefit from his visit.

The Summer Fayre is on its way!!! Please remember -

- As usual there will be **two non-uniform days to donate items for the tombola stalls**. The first will be Thursday 31st May to send in general 'tombola items and the second non-uniform day will be Friday 15th June – please send in chocolates and 'bottles' for this day.

DATES

- Monday 7th May** May Day Bank Holiday
- Wednesday 20th June** Foundation Stage Blackpool Zoo
- Friday 22nd June** Summer Fayre from 5pm – 7pm – help needed. Please contact the school office to help.
- Wed 27th June** – Year 4 trip to the Crocky-Trail
- Tuesday July 7th** – Year 5/6 trip to Camelot

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Stephen Cook