



It's that time of year again when we say goodbye to another successful year at Old Dalby and we start looking forward to the summer holidays and beyond. It's time to say goodbye and good luck to all of those leaving us for pastures new; we wish every one of our leavers the very best of luck for the future and we mean it when we say please stay in touch!

We all know that there have been some unexpected changes this year but I can honestly say that the whole school - staff, pupils and parents - have worked together to ensure that this has been a fantastic year with so many reasons to celebrate and be proud. I hope everyone has had the chance not only to read the outcomes of our Ofsted inspection but also had the opportunity to visit us during one of our open afternoons, watch the Nativity or The Pirates Of The Curry Bean or take part in some of our sporting events. When trying to decide what I could possibly write to sum up the year I began to make a list of all the achievements and reasons to celebrate, I ran out of paper in the end - there has been so much happening! I have to say that I am especially proud of the charity work which the children have undertaken this year, either through the school council or as individuals and small groups feeling passionate about a cause and choosing to fundraise. This year the children have raised over £2000 for good causes.

Academically the children have yet again blown us away with their passion for learning and their boundless enthusiasm to succeed. Results in the Year 1 Phonics Check and SATs in both Key Stages have been beyond our expectations, these children really have done themselves proud. Pupils in every year group throughout school have worked so hard and made wonderful progress too and I believe we have all had a lot of fun whilst doing it! The way the children embrace their learning is part of what gives our school its *buzz*. Of course, primary school is more than tests and academic lessons; it is about developing social skills, a questioning mind, thoughtfulness for others and a respect for the world around us and every living thing within it. I am not exaggerating when I say that our pupils embody our Christian values and see beyond themselves. This is the part of our school which makes us all most proud and completes our *buzz*. It is what makes us special.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer holiday with the chance to relax and enjoy some sunshine. There is so much to look forward to next year but I think everyone deserves a well-earned rest first!

Goodbye to our leavers, we wish you so much luck on your new adventures! To those who will be back with us in August - have a fantastic summer holiday, you all deserve it!

Rosie Browne  
Acting Headteacher

**PTA News - The PTA raised £140 from the raffle at the KS2 Productions**



Sports Day is on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00 am.** Please come along.

Sports Day Breakfast - The PTA are organising a Sports Day Breakfast which will include bacon baps, pastries, muffins and cookies, hot drinks & squash. This will be available from school drop off until 11am. Please bring cash with you on the day or ensure your children have cash so they can treat themselves if you cannot make it. Prices start from 50p to £1.50 for a bap or pastry with a hot drink!



**End of Term Disco - Thursday 14th July**

KS1 5:30pm - 6.30pm

Reception children must be accompanied by an adult

KS2 6:45pm - 7:45pm

For KS2 - We do need parent volunteers (at least 2). If we cannot get 2 volunteers the KS2 disco will not go ahead. Please contact the school office as soon as possible if you can help. Many thanks

Tickets £2.50 - pay on the door.



Tuck shop will be available !

**PTA Cake Stall & Refreshments Planned**

Old Dalby Day can bring 2000 or more people to the village so running a cake stall/refreshments provides a fantastic opportunity to raise much needed funds for the school. These funds will be reinvested into extra curriculum activities or items in the school for the children.

We desperately need cake donations and volunteers to help the PTA on the day.

If you can help please email - [PTA@olddalbyschool.org.uk](mailto:PTA@olddalbyschool.org.uk) or complete the slip below and take into the office by Friday this week.



**Old Dalby Day**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Cake Donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours Available to Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_



On Saturday, Elsie, Theia, Flo & William (as well as Elsie's younger brother Seth and Flo's younger brother Charlie) did a sponsored bike ride for Kicks Count in memory of Elsie's older brother, Harrison. As a team, they managed to cycle a total of 12 miles in 30 minutes by doing laps of the Wilton Road Park in Melton.

We are still counting up the pennies but think we may have raised £300 for Kicks Count. If anyone would like to donate, there is a JustGiving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ElsieDavies>

## Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 10am - Sports Day

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2pm - Leavers' Assembly in Church, all parents are welcome to join us.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2.30pm - Final Assembly and last day!

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August - First Day of the Autumn Term**

### Picnic Lunch – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Ham, cheese, tuna or egg sandwiches on white or wholemeal bread  
Vegetable Pizza Margherita, Cocktail Sausages, Selection of Crudities  
Ice cream or pot of English Strawberries

£2.15 for KS2 children

Please complete the slip below if your child/ren would like the picnic lunch.

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#### Picnic Lunch.

My child: \_\_\_\_\_ would like the picnic lunch.

I enclose £2.15      KS2 children     

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Person with legal responsibility for the young person.