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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely week and have been enjoying the ever-changing weather. The children have been outside as usual and the rain has certainly given the grass a bit of a well-earned watering.

As you will see, there is a letter out today explaining the classes for next year. We are so lucky that we have such amazing teachers and TAs at Coaley and I know that your children will continue to do well and achieve great things wherever they are. Sometimes, children find change a little tricky but, in my experience, they adapt very quickly to their new surroundings and teachers, getting on with things, often much better than us parents do. We are also a wonderful small school so we know every child so well and can spot when they are not quite right or are feeling worried, and give support. We are holding some meet-the-teacher sessions this term so you can be reassured with any worries you have. As always, please do not hesitate to come in and see any of us to discuss any concerns you might have: we are here to help. This goes equally to parents of children in Year 6 who are leaving for secondary school. I remember my eldest son's first day at secondary school and I could not believe that he would even catch the bus properly, let alone cope with changing classes and all the different teachers. Of course, he was fine and took it all in his stride but it didn't stop me from worrying. It never ceases to amaze me with how resilient and capable our children are at Coaley are and how well they adapt to new classes and schools. The feedback we get back from secondary schools is always positive as well, with their positive attitudes, politeness and thirst for learning.

There is also a letter going out this week for the Owls' parents regarding their overnight stay in July as part of their PGL week. We will be having a meeting for parents to come and find out a little more about this on Tuesday 29th June. It's an amazing opportunity for us to go and have an overnight camp-out and I know the children will have an amazing time.

Yours

Richard Lucas
Executive Headteacher

Visit from Dursley District PCSO

On Tuesday Owls Class had a visit from our local PCSO, Abbi Barker and Liz Ward. They spoke to the children about what they like about Coaley, Cam and Dursley as well as what they would like to see changed. The children had lots of ideas including a larger police presence in these areas to help us feel safe and improving Coaley Park so there is more for the older children to do within our community. The children were so sensible in their views, and showed how they could work together to put their points forward.



Our New Wraparound Care Area

Our wraparound care facility is a hit! With a new After School Club, and Breakfast Club combined, we have a wraparound care that caters for everyone who needs it. Miss Payne has a variety of activities in place to keep the children entertained and we now have the addition of a breakfast bar and storage area, continuing the theme of our library and displaying our bible quote, John 10:10, which is the basis of our vision statement.



Proud Cloud Certificates:

Robins: Giles

Starlings: Oliver

Owls: William, Scarlett

Values Certificates:

Robins: Jack

Starlings: Joseph

Owls: Amelia

Growth Mindset Certificates:

Robins: Beatrix for inventing an alien using the “ur” digraph and writing about him.

Starlings: Poppy for always being the first to put her hand up and have a go.

Owls: Aidan for working really hard in English – especially when writing our newspaper articles this week.

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June Dates

Tuesday 29th June, 3.20pm – Raffles Camping Parent Information event (Y5 & Y6)

July Dates

Monday 5th July till Friday 9th July – Y5 & Y6 Residential Week (28th June closing date for consents)

Monday 12th July till Friday 16th July – Whole School Arts & Environment week (details of each day to follow)

Wednesday 14th July till Friday 16th July – Bikeability for Y6

Wednesday 21st July – Last day of term

FOCS Future Events:

We need a new FOCS team for September 2021!.....please contact Mrs Astley if you are interested in offering some time to organise some fun events and raise funds for the benefit of the children.

Please note- Dates and times are subject to change, and depend on Covid restriction updates. We will advise you of any changes as soon as possible.