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Dear Parents/Carers

What an interesting week it has been! We certainly weren't expecting a visit from Ofsted and were we expecting England to beat Denmark? As I say – it has been an interesting, challenging and busy week. It is hard to believe there is only one full week left.

Y6 Leavers

As Y6 look forward to their last 7 days at hope Brook, I thought I should outline what they can expect to happen. The children are busy preparing their contributions for the Leavers Service – which will be posted on the school website on Tuesday 20th July. The school will watch the service on that day too.

What else is happening for Y6?

- The Cathedral Service for Y6 Leavers will be shared with the Y6 children early next week and all the Y6 children will be given a 'Holding Cross' – a gift from the Diocese
- The children will receive their Leavers hoodies following the service
- On Monday 19th July – Y6 will enjoy a day at Beechenhurst
- On the final day of term – Tuesday 20th July they will be given their Leavers Bibles and there will undoubtedly be the customary shirt signing event
- Finally, they will end their time at Hope Brook with an afternoon of water fun(!) on the field. Let's hope the weather is kind to them on that day

Ofsted

We received the call from Ofsted on Monday morning and realistically the inspection started at that point. It was a very thorough inspection. They talked to lots of children, took into account parents views, the views of Governors, the Local Authority representative and all the staff. We were quizzed about the curriculum, support for children with additional needs, safeguarding and how we ensure pupils personal development. It was a very long day – but was an opportunity to have a professional dialogue about what we offer children at Hope Brook. We will just have to wait now – to see the final outcome. I will send a copy to all parents as soon as the report is published. The report will come to us as a letter for parents.

Sporting Activities

This weekend, I will update the photos on our 'sporting activities' tab on the website. I had intended to do that during this week but unfortunately other matters got in the way – Sorry.

Euros

It is going to be a very exciting evening on Sunday and we know many of our children are likely to have a late night. For this reason, we have decided to allow our registers to remain open for Monday morning. Staff will still be in school and will open the gates at 8.45am. However, your child can arrive at school at any time during the morning (up to 12 noon) I know I am very excited. It feels like this could be an historic moment – Come on England!

Covid-19

We are hearing a lot of messages about relaxing restrictions at the moment and I am looking forward to a more normal way of school life (from September). However, I am conscious that the number of cases in the Forest is rising and I just want us to be able to remain open for the rest of this term. For this reason, I am asking that we keep our current measures in place – just until the end of term. I am hoping that everyone will remain safe and sensible this weekend – so we can enjoy the last bit of this Summer term.

Enjoy the football.

Stay safe

Stephanie Severn