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Friday, July 11th 2025

Week 38,

We continue to cram in as much as possible, even though both children and staff are exhausted! We will make it to next Friday! This week we had entertainment provided by Year 6 as they performed 'School Alone' to the entire school and then their parents. The performances were fantastic; clear, loud voices, brilliant singing and acting that some major film stars would have been proud of! Well-done to all of the Year 6 children and staff for putting together a show that I'm sure they will not forget.

The final event now for Year 6 is their Award Ceremony (children only) and then their Leavers Parade – if you wish to join us please be at the main gate for 1.55pm next Friday.

On Monday all of the children meet their new teachers in their new classrooms for 2025/26, an equally exciting and nerve wracking experience, I sometimes wonder who is more nervous the children or the staff. When the children are with their new teachers you will be getting the information related to your child's new class.

As we approach the end of the year, we will be saying good bye to some staff, some of whom have been with us for a long time:

- Mr. Hitchens will be leaving us and taking a break from the Education sector to spend some more time with his family. He has been a great supporter of the school for 6 years and has been instrumental in making improvements to the curriculum in general and maths specifically.
- Mrs. Lewis will be leaving us after spending her entire teaching career here with us at Chase Side. In the 30 years that she has been here she has taught not only the children but also some of the parents. She is looking forward to September when she can spend some more quality time with her family. We do have her on a supply contact so she will definitely be popping back for odd days and visits.
- Mr. Brennan has secured a Vice Principal position in a school a lot closer to home. He has had a positive impact on the PE curriculum here at Chase Side and the year 5 / 6 children have enjoyed his quirky sense of humor.
- Miss Alexandrou was on a temporary contract and is moving to a permanent job elsewhere.
- Miss Felsenstein has secured a job in a special school in Tower Hamlets – as she will be moving there over the summer break.
- We will also be saying goodbye (temporarily) to Mrs. Szymczyk who will be back in September with us for a few days before she takes time off to have her baby.

Please make sure that you get the opportunity to say good bye to these staff before the end of term.

Future dates for your diary:

- Thursday 17th Final day for Nursery
- Friday 18th July – Last day of term; school closes at 2pm.
- Friday 18th July at 2pm – Leavers' Parade; please join us in the playground to say goodbye to the Year 6s!

Have a wonderful weekend! We are almost there; let's keep our energy levels up ready for the last week of term and then it's the Summer Holidays!

Stronger Together,



Melanie Scull