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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you all had a good half-term. How quickly this week has gone!

Luckily, the school photo was able to go ahead yesterday inbetween the showers! You can imagine that it took a while for everyone to be in position, standing/sitting still and saying, 'Cheese!'.

We have had a fantastic response to the invitation to attend the BBQ lunches next week and look forward to welcoming everyone who is coming. Please arrive for 12pm and enter school via the green gate from the lower car-park where you will be able to sign-in. If the weather is dry, please bring something to sit on such as a picnic blanket. You will be able to choose a good spot – the kitchen garden is particularly lovely at the moment! If it rains, we will be in the hall. Instead of their uniform, on both days, all pupils can choose to wear Jubilee outfits/colours - the more red, white and blue, the better! Children will return to class in the afternoon at 1:15pm.

Swimming started today for Year 4 and Year 6 pupils. They all seemed to enjoy their trip to the Leisure Centre and being in the pool. The final swimming lesson will take place on 7<sup>th</sup> July with a gala being held the following Thursday on 14<sup>th</sup> July.

Next Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, Year 6 pupils will be taking part in an Athletics event at William Brookes School.

We realise that there are a number of sporting events going on at the moment and we are doing our best to communicate clearly and organise transport, as well as to explore alternative solutions. Your suggestions are always welcome. We feel that it is very important for the children to have these opportunities and our pupils really have excelled in all they've undertaken this year. Yesterday's Y3/4 paralympic event at William Brookes, was no exception: the children came away with more certificates than any other school!

Some pupils will attend the Kwik Cricket at Cound tomorrow. I will be at the Cricket Club to receive pupils from 9am before Mrs Hadley arrives on the mini-bus. For any parents picking up their own children at approximately 2:30pm, they do not need to return to school. If you are providing transport for other pupils, please return them to school.

I am delighted to be able to inform you of an exciting event due to take place in school next week: Paul Rothwell and crew will be landing a helicopter from RAF Shawbury on the school field on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June. The aim is to encourage pupils' interest in aviation through some STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) activity, including showing the children around the helicopter. The helicopter be landing at 10am and will be on site until

approximately 1pm. A huge thank-you to Paul for making this possible. I know that the children will be so excited when we tell them about it tomorrow.

Parents of Yew Tree Class pupils are invited to attend the Celebration Assembly next week on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 2:50pm. Please see the calendar on the website for details of other events and class assemblies.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

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(Headteacher)