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Dear Parents and Carers,

I find myself genuinely surprised that it is the very last week of this academic year already. This year, more than ever, has sped by in a blur of wonderful moments and incredible achievements.



This year we have continued our return to school trips with a whole raft of exciting opportunities available to all our children: local visits in and around Alford, Lincolnshire - beaches, theatres and cinemas, and those further afield experiences, PGL Caythorpe, Harry Potter Studios and Peterborough Flag Fen. The Year 4s had an amazing time experiencing a live performance when watching 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' at Nottingham's Royal Theatre and Year 6 had the very best London adventure.



We have also been an active lot, both in and out of school; pupils have taken part in Athletics, Hockey, Swimming, Tag Rugby and Football tournaments, to name just a few. Our "Be Happy, Be Healthy" days have been hugely popular and sports day brought together all parents, staff and pupils for a lovely, well attended picnic and summer fayre



We have had our yearly science week and our second careers week to encourage our "Be Ambitious, Be Creative" values, and continued our Good to be Green and safety assemblies to ensure everyone knows how to "Be Kind and Be Safe". In addition, we had our second 'our World' Week celebrating all things historical and cultural. There have been numerous theme days this year; we enjoyed celebrating World Book Day, Christingle, Diwali, Number Day - to name but a few! Look out for more themed days and weeks next year that will celebrate all areas of our curriculum offer, alongside our school values.



Music and the performing arts continue to thrive. We all visited the Pantomime on the last day of autumn term. A fabulous way to take the children to see a live performance and get us in the Christmas spirit. Our choir has represented us at the Spilsby Musical Festival. I know that we all thoroughly enjoyed 'Oliver with a Twist' - the cast and staging crew were beyond outstanding! Next Year will see the return of 'Young Voices' – a truly spectacular day at Sheffield Arena. Not one to be missed!

Our behaviour and attendance awards have seen the children enjoying bouncy castles, an Easter egg hunt, Glo in the dark dodgeball, diddy cars, popcorn and film sessions, and Betty's famous afternoon tea. All of this has had a positive impact on our overall school attendance and reinforced good behaviour around our school.





Thanks to Friends of School for organising wonderful events including the Christmas Fayre, School Disco and Summer Fayre. Together with their hard work and your staggering support we have raised £1,911.14 for our children this year. This is simply amazing and will support your children in the next academic year.

Of course, whilst all of this was happening, children have shown dedication and passion for their learning. We have continued to see great outcomes across key stages, including EYFS, Year 1 Phonics Screening Check, and Multiplication Tables Check. Our Year 6 children showed huge resilience and perseverance in tackling Statutory Testing – we are so proud of each and every one of them.

These achievements are testament to your amazing children, and the hard work and dedication of the wonderful staff at Alford Primary School.

Thank you all for your continued support; it is a privilege to be working at Alford Primary School with all of your wonderful children, and such a phenomenal team of staff.

I wish you all a very happy and relaxing summer holiday, and look forward to welcoming the children back on Thursday 3rd September 2026.

Best wishes,

Mrs Laura Mackenzie-Snow
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