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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we start the summer term and our thoughts turn to Leavers events, we wanted to communicate the school's plans for our Year 6 children as their time at Wouldham comes to an end.

Year 6 have already started fundraising for their Leavers event through carol singing and a stall at the Christmas fair. The children are taking the lead in hosting various fundraising events, with the support of the Year 6 staff, to raise funds for an event at the end of the academic year. We believe that this initiative will provide the Year 6 students with a wonderful opportunity to enhance their entrepreneurial skills through activities such as debating, budgeting, and advertising, thereby gaining valuable real-world experiences.

Our next event is scheduled for after SATs in the last week of this term – the week commencing 20th May.

The Leavers event will take place during school time, on Friday 19th July, we may extend this beyond 3:15pm if required. The children will be asked what activities or event they would like to celebrate the end of their primary journey. They will then research, organise, budget, fundraise and create their own bespoke event that reflects their interests and efforts. If parents would like to host their own Leavers event this must be off site and separate from the school.

As some of you are aware, Wouldham have won 30 free places at St Andrew's Lakes and this opportunity has been offered to Year 6 as an additional event, separate to Leavers. In using the 30 free places we are hoping to be able to take the whole year group with each child paying 50% of the fee. More information on this trip to follow.

For information, here are the key dates as we have them:

- Leavers' performance on the 17th July at 2pm and 6pm. ***This has moved from Tuesday 16th July due to staff conflicts.**
- Autograph books will be provided for each child and handed out on 17th July.
- The leavers' event, to be held in school, will take place on 19th July.
- Finally, the Leavers' service, scheduled for 23rd July, will be a poignant occasion where the children will be presented with their bibles and have the opportunity to ring the school bell, marking the end of their time at our school.

Any queries please contact Mrs McGill and Miss Smart.