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GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER

Ofsted Inspection

As you are aware, three Ofsted inspectors came into the school for two days on 1st and 2nd July. The lead inspector requested to see three governors for a meeting but we wanted to show our support of the school so five turned up and he didn't send any of us away! The governors met with him for an hour and he asked questions across the whole remit of governance. At the time of writing this, the official report has not yet been published so we are eagerly waiting for the result.

Reading Focus / SATS

Over the past academic year, the governors have focused on reading as an area for improvement with updates regularly reported in this newsletter. This has been achieved by having open weeks where governors have talked to the children about reading, coming in to discuss their favourite books and installing a yurt which was a governor initiative. The impact of this focus from both governors and teachers can clearly be seen in the SATs results that came out last week. The numbers of pupils in Yr 6 who achieved a Level 4 in reading has gone up to 93%, an increase of 4% compared to last year with combined reading, writing and maths Level 4s also up by 4% to 88%. It is also noted that the amazing number of parents / helpers who come in to hear the children read has a positive impact on the results.

Summer Fete and Fun Run

The day of the fete on 13th June turned out to be gloriously sunny which was great for stallholders and visitors, not so great for those running the 5k! Governors and our very own Headteacher plus other staff put in a sterling effort on the 5k run so well done to all, especially to the children who came out in droves to compete in the 5k, 3k and 1k. Thank you also to the PTA for organising the whole thing which was a huge success and made a staggering £2,391.73 in profit.

<u>PTA Quiz</u>

Just a reminder, there is no quiz this month due to the summer holidays so the next PTA quiz is on Thursday 24th September at 8pm at the Romans just opposite the school's main entrance. The pub continues to be very generous in donating the prizes so come along and join in when term starts again.

Have a great summer holiday from all the governors at Eastbrook Primary Academy!