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## NEWSLETTER

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### Retirement News

It is with a mixture of emotions that I have to inform you that Mrs Ashford and Mrs Bird are both retiring at the end of this term. Both members of staff have worked at the school for 22 years! Mrs Ashford and Mrs Bird have probably taught, or had some connection with your child at some stage in their school career. I am thrilled for the two members of staff as they embark upon this new and exciting chapter of their lives, but I will also miss them immensely due to the enormous contribution which they have made to our school over the last couple of decades!

### Year 5 - Bikeability

'On Monday I was so excited about Bikeability. At first you had to check your bike out to see if it was ready and set to go on the road. On Tuesday, we all did hand signals, if you're turning left you have to put your left hand out. Then all of us went out onto the road, I was so scared, but then I started to get confident. After a while we all went back to school. Bikeability is the best thing ever!' - Lily-Ellen (5B)

'Bikeability was a good experience to learn how to signal and ride on roads safely. On the roads we had to ride in single file, so we didn't bang into each other. On the playground Aum and Myles crashed and suddenly Myles was unable to brake!' - Musa (5P)

*Before the instructors left, they came to see me to say how impressed they were with the good manners and positive attitude of our children.*

### Summer Fayre

This year's Summer Fayre is being held on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July from 12 noon until 4:00pm and we hope that you will all be able to join us. If any parents can spare donations of chocolate, bottles and other raffle prizes, this would be gratefully appreciated.

### A Message from the Dark Side.....

On behalf of 'Friends of Calshot', I would like to thank all the children and family members who came along to support our 'Star Wars' film evening. In total, the event raised £228.75, which was a result of the hard work and innovation of our P.T.A. Where would we be without them?

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank 'Friends of Calshot' members who gave up their time and energy yesterday to begin the 'transformation' of the Reception Playground.....it is shaping up nicely!

### Perry Beeches Band

'The band was loud and exciting and it was fun listening to them. I really enjoyed it.'  
- Angel (2H)

'Last week, Year 7 and Year 9 pupils from Perry Beeches came in and played music for us. There was singing, keyboards, drums and guitars.....it was amazing! My favourite part was the first song, which had a marching band's drum. It was so cool!' - George (6C)

'The Perry Beeches band were a great inspiration. I loved the way the instruments were used to make different rhythms. I liked the way they copied songs using different rhythms.' - Ridwan (4H)

### School Fund

This week £127.50 was collected in School Fund. May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid, some of whom have paid for the whole half term, as this means we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

### St Paul's Flower Festival

Many of our children have made 'paper flowers' which will be displayed as part of St Paul's Flower Festival, which is being held this weekend (Saturday 10:00am - 4:00pm and Sunday 12 noon - 4:00pm). All visitors are warmly welcomed.

### Office Hours

**Please note that the main office is not staffed until 8:30am in the morning.**

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(Head Teacher)

