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Dear Parents,

What a lovely few days we have had in school!

Thank you so much for joining us to celebrate the Royal Wedding on Friday afternoon! The Fairtrade afternoon tea was a huge success, enjoyed by all. I was delighted to see so many people there and as you all saw, the children were so pleased that the Lady Mayor joined us too! The event had a 'traditional street party' feel about it. The children (and staff) worked so hard making and baking, and it was so good for them to see their hard work enjoyed and valued. There are some lovely photos and a short video clip on The News and Star website, type in Irthington, then scroll down the page and about half way down you will see the video and photos!

Then we had the Summer Fair yesterday, which was also a fantastic event, well supported by pupils, staff, parents and members of our community. The final amount raised has not yet been calculated, but the PTA will let you know this figure, as soon as they know themselves!

The Rota Kids organised themselves to run a few stalls and raised £72 for their chosen charities.

In all my time here, I have never known there to be so many prizes on offer at the Grand Prize Draw! The decision made at the PTA meeting to draw the lower value prizes ahead of the final draw, in line with all other professional prize draws, worked perfectly. No-one wanted to stand around and wait for 30+ prizes to be awarded.

As always, these events do not simply happen, there is a lot of behind the scenes hard work and dedication, organising, appealing for prizes and donations, selling tickets, baking etc. I would like to thank Mrs Smithson and the PTA committee for their continued support and hard work at an already busy time of the year. In these times of school budget cuts, every penny literally does count!

Jimmy, from the Sally came to judge the tray bakes, and other creations and he politely asks that if parents must turn their cars around in the village, could they drive fully into the carpark behind the pub to do so? Turning cars on the front driveway is churning up the surface and he is currently in the expensive process of having the area resurfaced. Consideration of our school neighbours must be taken when parking across driveways and on the yellow zig-zags and turning vehicles in the village.

I am sure everyone is looking forward to the forthcoming half term break, let's keep our fingers crossed for continued sunny weather. Whatever plans you have, have a lovely half term break next week.

Yours sincerely

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