# Year 6 Programme

19<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Yr 6 Parents & Carers,

Welcome to your 'Year 6 Fundraising & Prom' team! A new set up that we hope will develop and evolve over the years at Brookfield (Junior) school with all future Year 6 families.

The team is a small group and although excited at what we are trying to achieve we are still quite new and would welcome your valuable input.

The team has been formed to organise:-

#### 1. The Year 6 Prom

A Brookfield tradition and memorable day for our boys and girls.

This year the date has been booked for Friday, 20 July 2018. We have also gone with tradition and booked the famous 'open top' bus where the children will be driven around Larkfield before arriving at their prom.

More details will be sent out next term, however to give you a heads up, we will be looking at a charge per child of £13.50, which will include their bus and party ticket as well as a contribution towards their IOW/activity week t-shirts. We are aiming to order two t-shirts each this year.

Please keep the date free as we will definitely require your help in setting up and getting the event ready for the children. Lots of 'room dressing' to do and in such little time. Hopefully we will also have available some dads, uncles and grandads on the day.

# 2. Year 6 Developing Life Skills and Welfare

Recognising that our 'pre' teens now grow up so quickly and require extra stimulation, training and preparation ready for their journey into their new schools next year. We have focused our group, fully supported by the school, to look into ways of tackling this period in their lives where there are many fears, questions and the thirst for knowledge, to prepare them for their new adventures.

We have put a plan together detailing possible courses and additional training to take place after the children have taken their SATS in May to improve on their life skills and assist with the transition to secondary school.

Ideally we are tapping in on our own contacts and knowledge of certain skills, but would really welcome more input from yourselves if you think you have something to offer. Many things come to mind but we are looking into what we feel are essentials. For example:- basic first aid, budgeting skills, tying a tie, reading a bus timetable, personal safety, healthy eating, fitness, even a possible bus ride experience is on the cards.

## **Fundraising**

It has always been tradition that year 6 fundraise themselves within school for their prom and keeping to tradition, we still want to encourage this but also look at bigger fund raising events outside of school, encouraging the children to work within their community.

Last year we did a Saturday bag packing day at Morrison's. The children only needed to give 2 hours during their day of which they engaged with the customers and enjoyed being part of the community experience. They were able to raise a lot of money, which meant that the children didn't have to approach the PTFA or their families for additional funding.

If you would like to work with and be part of the fundraising/Prom team, or if only taking on a small part or have some ideas, please let us know on the attached feedback form.

Dates for your diary and areas we need help on leading up to Christmas:

# Thursday, 2nd November - junior 'Light up' disco

Yr 6 are having a cake sale and running a cake raffle on the night. Please can you donate/bake some cakes and send in from the Thursday morning of the disco. This would be very much appreciated. If anyone is available, help is required to cover their stall and assist Yr 6 with their selling. A letter will go out that week for you to give permission as well as if cakes are left over on the Thursday night we can contact you to say the children are helping to sell the remaining cakes after school on Friday.

# Saturday, 18 November - Light up Larkfield

Martins Square 230pm set up - 3pm start - finish 530pm Details tbc

We have arranged to have a couple of stalls at the above event where we are hoping to have the famous 'Brookfield piggies' on their race track, a children's tom-bola as well as, a cup cake, cookie and gingerbread stall. If you are able to bake for the stall that would be appreciated and bring along on the day. With regards to the children's tom-bola, please can you now start to lookout, especially if you are having a clear out before Christmas, for any 'good as new' toys, games, decent/suitable books and cuddly toys etc.

Again we need helpers to cover at least an hour of the event, as well as permission for the children to help run the stalls, again for a minimum of an hour and adults and children available to help set up.

As we are there for year 6, we would ask the children to wear school uniform and a warm coat.

## Saturday, 25 November

Morrison's bag pack

We will send out a schedule for this as ask the children to come along for two hours, usually we need 8 children each time and 4 shifts - as well as 2 adults covering a shift.

A Separate letter for this activity will be sent out and times etc - again uniform to be worn.

We appreciate that this a lot of information to take in but please do get back to us on anything that you are willing to assist with.

Best wishes and have a great Half term

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