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Orchard Manor School News

“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” — Helen Keller

Hello everyone, It’s been another busy and exciting time here at Orchard Manor, and we’re delighted to share some of the wonderful things our students have been up to, along with a look ahead to some exciting events coming your way.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our **Summer Fete on Tuesday 7th July from 4:00pm to 6:00pm** so save the date! It promises to be a lovely opportunity for families to come together in a relaxed and friendly setting. There will be plenty to enjoy, including a bouncy castle, a variety of food and refreshments, games and activities, and—just as importantly—the chance to meet other parents.

To help make our fete a success, we are asking for **donations for our Bottle Tombola**. We welcome any type of bottle, as long as it is in date—this could include drinks, toiletries, or anything fun and suitable for prizes. Every contribution helps create an exciting stall for the children and supports our fundraising efforts. If you’re able to donate, please send your bottle into school with your child.

This week, inspired by the run up to the World Cup, we have had our own **Football Fever Week**. Throughout the week, students have taken part in a range of football-themed activities designed to be fun, inclusive, and active. It’s been a fantastic way for pupils to develop teamwork skills, build confidence, and enjoy being active together.



Yesterday, many of our students enjoyed a fantastic **trip to the zoo**, and what a day it was! The children were brilliant representatives of the school and thoroughly enjoyed seeing a wide range of animals. Photos will be posted on our social media—It is wonderful to see so many smiles throughout the day.

Further to the recent media coverage, we wanted to take a moment to reassure parents and carers of our Year 11 pupils issue with the AQA Maths GCSE paper. We understand this may have caused some concern; however, we would like to reassure you that this issue only affected students who sat the AQA Maths GCSE. As our **Year 11 pupils follow the OCR specification**, they were **not affected** by this administrative error. If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Purple Class have set themselves an incredible challenge this month—to **walk a total of 100 miles** so that they can get money for some sensory equipment for their classroom. They have shown fantastic determination and teamwork so far, and we are incredibly proud of their motivation and enthusiasm as they work towards this impressive goal. If you would like to donate to their efforts here is the link— [Purple Class Sponsored Walk Challenge - JustGiving](#)

Looking ahead to Sports Week, students will also be taking part in a **Sponsored Walk to Buckingham Palace**—by distance, of course! This is a brilliant opportunity for pupils to stay active, work together, and contribute towards a shared goal. We will be sharing more information about sponsorship shortly! We have also sent a letter to the King and Queen, hopefully we will get a reply and we can share it with the children.

As always, thank you for being such an important part of our school community. Your support makes a real difference, and we love seeing our students thrive and enjoy such a wide range of opportunities. **Nicola Jones, Headteacher**

