

Dear Year 6 Parents and Students,

Time has flown and here we are half way through 6 and soon to watch our Bishopsdowners fly from their Oak and Larch trees to their next adventures!

There are many ways that Year 6 students at Bishops Down have traditionally marked this special time, and we would love your help in ensuring that we do all those things for our guys too.

Your reps are co-ordinating (with the gratefully received support of the teachers and all of you):

- A Year 6 gift to the school – something for Bishops Down to remember them by.
- A Year 6 show
- A Leavers Party – on a Saturday in July to be confirmed
- A Year Book

All these wonderful things will we hope make for a fun, exciting and memorable last few weeks of primary school as well as a fantastic legacy gift to the school.

The catch is of course, they all cost! There is a cost to putting on the show (rights, costumes, hiring scripts) and of course, we would like to raise as much as we can for the leavers school gift.

We are working to minimise the cost of the party and the yearbook and will give you more information on that soon.

In order to fundraise for our leavers' gift and our show we have already had many ideas, and would love to see all sorts of big and small things going on to raise money. For example there has been the idea of a car wash, an ice cream stall, a toy sale. Please feel free to raise money, or simply make a direct contribution, in any way you'd like.

Anything you raise or would like to donate can be paid in to the office or handed to reps in an envelope marked Year 6 Leavers Fundraising. Cash only please – no cheques.

Special events we'd like to run and need your support for are:

A wedding cake sale and **wear your wedding hat day** (congrats Prince Harry and Meghan!) on Friday 18th May

Sports day strawberries – volunteers to pick, wash and sell sports day strawberries, especially to those poor parents still having to do an all dayer!

Get Knotting!!

A Leavers friendship bracelet stall at the spring fair because 'Bishops down will knot be the same with out you!'

We'd love our leavers to make and sell friendship bracelets at their own Spring Fair stall – and afterwards to friends and family. You can even wear your hoodies when you sell!! We will be handing out a starter pack of thread to each of you and there are some links below to some YouTube tutorials, or if you prefer some good old written instructions.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6SpYmdjy3So>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YujvDp5BJ78>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nNOioNDsg2s>

<https://blog.hobbycraft.co.uk/make-friendship-bracelets/>

We'd also be happy to sell other items our creative bunch make on our stall – just let us know. Bracelets can be handed to any of your class reps.

Thank you so much in advance for your support – please don't hesitate to share ideas and to support us in these ventures.

Jo, Sophia, Lucie, Kavi, Mel and Lizzie