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Principal's message to families – 28 June 2024

Next weeks Lower school word of the week is - [dangerous](#)
The Upper school word of the week is – [evidence](#)

A week of celebrations and tears here at Dawn House, as our leavers prepare to leave us and move on. **The leavers party** was such a lovely way of sharing and celebrating achievements and for our leavers and their parents to share their goodbyes.

There were more celebrations for the school footballers who went to Wolverhampton this week to take part in the **Premier League Disability Football Festival**. Plenty of goals and some wins! Have a look at our Facebook page to see the team in action. As usual, our pupils did us proud.

Another sunny day for pupils who took part in the 2024 Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire **Angling Championships**- I've no idea how many fish were caught but everyone enjoyed the day and we have a new certificate to display in school.

The school has now received the **Makaton Aware Award**. We have achieved this through our pupils and staff participating in different Makaton sessions and using Makaton more widely across school. There is a prize each week for staff who are the first to work out the 'Friday sign' which is always something fun related!

Last week students and staff who have time in residential had their annual trip to a bracing but very warm **Skegness**, where time was spent on the fair, with a picnic on the beach, then a traditional chip shop tea.

Your children have been informed about their class groups today so no doubt they will want to share this with you when they get home. Classes continue to be grouped by Key Stage and with children of similar ability, so please reassure any children with worries that lots and lots of thought and planning goes into these decisions.

Bags to School

Don't forget to bring your charity bags into school please and ask family and friends if you can bring in theirs!

Collection date is **Tuesday 2nd July**

Our Sports Day and Summer Fair is coming up on the 12th July- please start sending in any donations for prizes, the tombola and for gift stalls from next week. We will also have a bottle stall again if you can support us with this and



children will be bringing home raffle tickets for you to sell and return. Do let us know if you need more!

Finally, a heads up that **School Surveys** will be coming out soon, do please respond to the parent survey (pupils will be supported to do theirs in school) as this helps inform our plans for moving the school forward.

Reminder – INSET DAY Monday 1 July 2024

Have a great long weekend and we look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday,

Jenny

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If your child leaves home in the morning a little unsettled and you want to quickly tell us, so we know to expect a tricky start to the day, a quick email (that we can follow up later) to the tutor and/or core team with **'Handle with Care'** in the email title will ensure that we are aware.