

# Ickford News

There are several reasons why I thought it prudent to send out an early newsletter this week not least the fact that everyone will be in expectant and optimistic mood before England begin their semi-final in the World Cup. Better to ride the tide of this wave of optimism than struggle to swim in the torrent of despair should the team not reach the final.

The news is so good this week that I did not want it clouded by any football results that may not go in the right direction. Our own sporting heroines and heroes continued to notch up successes today when competing in the final Area Festival, the Year 6 Games. As overall winners last year we wanted to put up another good show despite not being able to field Year 6 children in every event. I am delighted to announce that results of the individual events were as follows:

Hockey – Winners

Tennis – Winners

Football – fourth

Table tennis – second

Rugby – Winners

Netball – Winners

Overall – Winners



As you know, the Summer Fayre was a huge success in terms of ambience and attendance and, though I expressed my gratitude to everyone, I must do it again as the event raised a record amount of £1400! This is a fantastic figure and those of you who have read the PTA newsletter will know that it leaves us just about £1000 short of the £10,000 target set by Ben and his brothers and sisters in arms at the beginning of the year.

They have not given up on trying to achieve their target (remember success will ensure new touch screens in each classroom) and have launched a special, silent on-line auction this week with some fantastic items on offer. The link below will give you access to the auction:

<https://bensayer2.wixsite.com/10kchallenge/auction>

Now, at the time of writing, I am the highest bidder on two of the three prizes (remember prudent?) so please feel absolutely free to bid against me!

I leave the most important news until last and I am certain it shall be elaborated in further detail at a later date. Our Key Stage 2 attainment test results were published on Tuesday and I am very proud to inform you that they are the highest overall that we have ever had. The children have worked tremendously hard throughout this year alongside their fantastic teacher, oo la la! They deserve a decent pat on the back and our 'felicitations!'

Now, is it coming home?

Mr Ronane