

## Galleywood Infant School

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2016

Dear Parents,

### 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

We are preparing to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the day when Galleywood Infant School opened its doors and admitted the first pupils. We would like children and families to be part of the events to mark this special birthday!

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July there will be a special assembly at 2:15pm when we would love to see families of our current children and welcome any past pupils of this school.

As part of that assembly we will hear from some children and staff both past and present, about their memories of Galleywood Infant School.

We will fill our time capsule to be buried within the school grounds, selecting a range of things that we hope will tell the story of our school when it is opened in 25 or 50 years time.

Each class will decorate a large birthday cake for the school and we would like friends and family to join us after school for a tea party on the lawn!



If you attended Galleywood Infant School, or know somebody who came here as a child, we would love to capture one or two memories of their time here, using about 100-150 words to sum up something about the school that stands out in their memory. We will assemble and display these. Simply send us the memory via email or bring into the school office.



Do you have class photographs that we could borrow and scan? Or perhaps photos of school events such as summer fairs, Christmas



presentations, sports event or school trips? We would really appreciate parents and

grandparents searching through some albums so that we can give our current classes a view of school life 20, 30, 40 or 50 years ago.

Photos can be brought to the school for us to copy, or scanned and emailed to [admin@galleywood.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@galleywood.essex.sch.uk) We are looking forward to seeing them!

During our celebration week starting on 11<sup>th</sup> July children will learn about some of the significant events in the 1960s when the school opened, as well as hearing about daily life, school days, toys and games for a child who might have been 5,6 or 7 in 1966. Let us know if you or somebody in your family can contribute to this! Thank you.

Finally on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July we are having a 60s themed dressing up day for all children and staff!



Mrs Lacey has compiled a 50<sup>th</sup> birthday quiz to help raise money towards the cost of our 50<sup>th</sup> birthday time capsule. Quiz booklets are available from the school office for £1- please support us and buy them for friends and family who enjoy a challenge! The

closing date is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July, when we will draw 3 entries to receive prizes. Good luck!

### **Help!**

We would like to take a keep sake photograph of all the children at Galleywood Infant School standing in the shape of number 50. Would anyone have access to a cherry picker or similar to enable us to take a photo from height?

### **Safety**

Members of staff arriving by car have noticed that some children are walking into school along the driveway rather than using the pedestrian entrance and path. Please remind your children that the driveway is only for vehicles and is not safe for people walking or on scooters. Thank you.

### **Circus week**

Thank you to Miss Williams for researching and organising the circus performance and workshops on Thursday. Some children produced their best piece of writing so far - if you have not yet made a £3 contribution towards this event we would be pleased to receive this as soon as possible.

