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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

## **RE: CHASE TERRACE FESTIVAL**

To celebrate the end of this academic year, we are organising a whole school reward event on Tuesday 18 July. The event will be in the style of a music festival, enabling pupils to experience festival activities.

Chase Terrace 'Festival' will see a large stage with music provided by local musicians and our own talented pupils. Alongside this, pupils will be invited to bring their own popup tents and picnic blankets that they can use throughout the day. In addition, we have organised an inflatable obstacle course; a UV glow in the dark disco; hair braiding master classes; face painting; fairground games; golf and giant board games to name but a few of the activities.

We are aiming to make the 'Festival' as environmentally friendly as we can and request that no plastic or glass bottles are brought on site. Instead, pupils should bring a full reusable water bottle that can be refilled at our water stations and our Year 10 pupils have devised a strategy to recycle all litter.

Most activities will be free so that the 'Festival' is inclusive for all pupils. We are requesting that any food purchased is paid with cash as pupils will not be able to use funds on their school food accounts on this day as the festival is on the school field. We have also arranged for an independent ice cream van to be onsite. Pupils in receipt of free school meals will receive a voucher to spend at our food stalls.

There will also be some small charges for craft activities and a stall to buy memorabilia from. This money is being donated to Teenage Cancer Trust. All monies brought in are at the pupil's own risk. Please do not send your child in with large amounts of money and ensure that they understand how to keep it safe.

Pupils do not need to wear school uniform and we are keen that they get involved by choosing suitable festival wear for the day. Swim wear and clothing items that would normally be inappropriate for a school non-uniform day, are not to be worn. If you are not sure, it is probably not suitable.

Everyone in the school will receive a wristband to enter the festival, however, if any of the following incidents of poor behaviour occur from Monday 3 July, their wristband and entry into the event will be withdrawn:

- Not attending a detention that has been set;
- If a pupil has been in isolation for any period of time;
- If a pupil has been suspended.

Festival protocols will be followed on entry, including a bag search and each pupil will be given their wristband for the day.

Please keep an eye on the weather and ensure pupils bring waterproofs or sun cream, sun hats or wellies as the 'Chase Terrace Festival' will happen whatever the weather!

We request that parents/carers promote this event and look forward to enjoying the festival as a school community.

As the day progresses into the afternoon, our Summer Showcase will take place in the evening following on from the festival. We will send more information about this very soon – please do save the date though, as families are invited after school to join us.

Yours faithfully

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Ms N Mason Headteacher