Somerleyton Primary School
Summer Fete 2026 – Parent Letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to invite you to this year's Somerleyton Summer Fete, taking place on **Saturday 4th July 12pm – 4pm** on the Somerleyton village green.

This year is particularly special as we celebrate the 45th Somerleyton Summer Fete. It promises to be a milestone event, and we are working hard to make it our most exciting and memorable fete yet.

The fete is the biggest fundraising event of the school year, and every penny raised goes directly back into enhancing your child's learning experience, school environment, and opportunities. Your support truly makes a lasting difference.

Please do save the date in your diary and help us spread the word far and wide to family, friends, neighbours, and the wider community. The more people we bring together, the greater the success of the day.

What's in store this year?

We are thrilled to share an exciting line-up of attractions, including:

- Fairground rides
- Punch and Judy shows
- Ice cream truck
- Live music, including a fantastic ceilidh band 'SkipHire'
- Free children's craft tent
- Home made goods in the tea tent
- BBQ and beer tent
- A wide variety of stalls

It will be a wonderful day filled with community spirit, laughter, and celebration.

Donations – Your Early Support Needed

To help families plan ahead, we are requesting donations earlier than usual this year, and we are extremely grateful for your support.

Adopt a Bear Stall

We are excited to introduce a new school stall this year: "Adopt a Bear".
We kindly ask children to donate pre-loved cuddly toys they no longer need, giving them a second chance to be loved by another child.

Please ensure all donated teddy bears and soft toys are:

- Clean and freshly washed

- In good, safe condition

This is a lovely opportunity to encourage kindness, sharing, and sustainability.

Tea Tent Home Baking Donations

Our tea tent is always a highlight of the fete, and we would be so grateful for your home-baked contributions.

Each year group has been allocated a category to help ensure variety:

- Reception: Fruit scones, plain scones, cupcakes
- Class 1: Savoury bakes (e.g. sausage rolls, cheese scones, cheese straws, quiche, vegetarian options)
- Class 2: Whole cakes (e.g. Victoria sponge, chocolate cake, coffee & walnut, lemon drizzle, carrot cake)
- Class 3: Traybakes (e.g. flapjacks, brownies, blondies, cookies, shortbread)

We fully appreciate that everyone has busy lives, and not everyone is an expert baker, but in our experience, home-baked goods are what make the tea tent truly special and quintessentially British, and they always sell best. Where possible, we kindly ask for homemade items rather than shop-bought products, as pre-packaged goods tend not to sell as well.

Please ensure:

- Containers are clearly labelled with your name for return
- A label is added describing the item
- Full ingredient lists are included for allergy purposes

Volunteers Needed – We Need Your Help!

A successful fete simply cannot run without our amazing parent volunteers.

We will be looking for volunteers to help on the day with stalls, activities, setup, and general support. Even if you can only spare an hour or two, it will make a huge difference and will be greatly appreciated.

We will also need help setting up the marquees after Sports Day on 2nd July. If you are available to lend a hand, we would be incredibly grateful, many hands truly do make light work.

Helping Us Spread the Word

Each child will be bringing home a fete poster. We would be extremely grateful if you could display it wherever possible; windows, cars, local shops, post offices, or anywhere visible in the community. If you require more please contact the school office.

Every effort helps us reach more people and ensures this year's fete is a huge success, raising vital funds that directly benefit your child's education.

Thank you, as always, for your incredible support, generosity, and community spirit. The Somerleyton Summer Fete is something truly special, and it simply wouldn't be possible without you.

We look forward to celebrating with you on **Saturday 4th July** for what promises to be a fantastic 45th anniversary event.

Warmest regards,
Somerleyton Primary School Fete Committee

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