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Dear Parents/Carers,

Merger of Court Lane Infant Community Association ('CLICA') and Court Lane Junior School – Parent Teacher Association

Over a number of years both Court Lane Infant School and Court Lane Junior School have benefitted from an active Parent Teacher Association (PTA). Children both past and present have enjoyed lots of fun activities including Discos, Summer Picnics and Christmas events. Both PTAs are registered charities, with volunteers and trustees made up of parents from the School community.

Thanks to our wonderful community at both the Infant and Junior Schools we have recently purchased individual recorders for children in Years 1 and 2, we have funded iPads, the green marquee (infants) and the Year R Playground. Within the Junior School we have purchased planters for outside each classroom, a new sound system for the hall, iPads, the playground climbing equipment and wet play games for each classroom. Over the last 5 years we have raised more than £20,000.

As part of a recent strategic review, we are delighted to announce that both PTAs will merge from September 2022. The majority of children who attend the Infant School transition to the Junior School. By merging this will mean more shared events across both schools, an active communication channel/social media for both sets of parents and an opportunity to raise additional funds for both schools.

We would like to involve Parents/Carers and children in this merger and have lots of things planned over the coming months as part of this transition. Firstly, we need a new name! The name needs to represent both the Infants and Juniors and reflect that we are one school community. If you have any suggestions, then please complete the online form https://forms.office.com/r/pBjrjRgndv for a chance to win a prize!

Once we have a name, we will begin the process of rebranding and updating our social media, school websites etc. We will also be holding a logo competition for children.

We aim to have a new name and logo for **our Summer Picnic which will be held on the 8th July 2022 between 5pm – 8pm at the Junior School.** This will be our first joint event and money raised will go to both schools. There will be stalls, activities, music, food and entertainment plus much more.

If you would like further information on this merger then please contact us via email clicommunityassociation@gmail.com

Yours sincerely,

Court Lane Infant Community Association (CLICA) & Court Lane Junior School Parent Teacher Association