



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to **Year One** for such a lovely **sharing assembly** this morning. They are so enthusiastic about animals, stories, counting and learning in general! Thank you to everyone who was able to come and watch them.

This week we marked **VE Day** in school with an interesting assembly by Mr Martin (our history lead) and classes joining in with a time of silence to think about all those hurt or killed in war and all those who work for peace.

I am very pleased to say that plans for **Headingley Youth Music Festival 2025** are coming together! The theme this year is Just Dance, Dance, Dance and there are great activities planned including world dance and music workshops, a silent disco, circus skills, storytelling, young performers and summer fair activities. We are also hoping for it to be the launch of the new Children's Centre giant teepee! It takes a lot of help to put on such a large event so we are very much hoping that friends and family of Shire Oak will be able to volunteer their time on or before Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June. There will be sign up sheets in each class for running certain stalls but there are also roles such as facepainting, barbecuing and putting up/taking down gazebos that need to draw from the whole community. Please let me, Marcelle Maver or anyone in FOSOPS know if you are able to help!

If you haven't already responded to the St Michael's Church consultation on how best they can serve the community in Headingley please do so as it is closing soon! <https://forms.office.com/r/yJLeJP6VLc>

Thank you to everyone who has taken on board the safety messages about **parking safely in the local area** and not using Wood Lane for dropping off on the zigzags, by the large gates or anywhere else that causes a problem for children on foot or our neighbours. If the good intentions have slipped recently, it would be good to correct that by half term as it is Green Week when we come back. Part of Green Week will be road safety sessions in each class and there is nothing so indignant as a child who spots a parent not doing the right thing!

Have a lovely weekend. For those of you watching the **Rob Burrow Leeds Marathon** on Sunday then it is worth noting that St Michael's is offering refreshments and toilet facilities for spectators.

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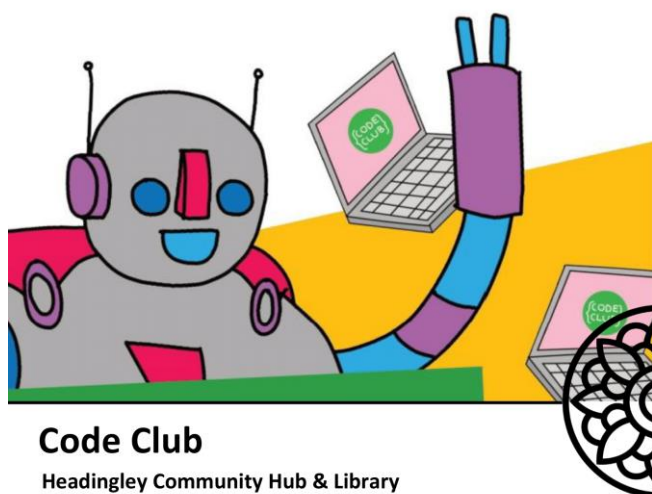
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#### DIARY DATES

12 <sup>th</sup> to 16 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week for Year 6
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Y2 Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Bikeability training & assessment for Y6. Start building cycling confidence to be ready!
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y3 Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	NSPCC workshops Y2, Y5 and Y6 TBC
HALF TERM no school for children 26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> May. Art Camp will run a playscheme.	
2 <sup>nd</sup> to 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Green Week, including pedestrian/road safety and eco workshops all week.
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 trip to Otley Chevin
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	House Team Hobby Half Day
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	RSE information meeting for parents in Y5 and Y6 5pm TBC
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photo day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 trip to the recycling plant
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Rev Josh Peckett's last services at St Michael's today 10am and 6:30pm
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Lawnswood transition visit to Shire Oak
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 mixed rugby match away at Whinmoor St Paul's after school
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	TRAINING DAY School closed to children

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Eid Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Non uniform day in return for an item (or two) for the HYMF tombola please
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Meeting for new parents/carers of Reception intake 2025 followed by home visits
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 trip to water treatment plant pm.
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 Ancient Egyptian artefacts visitor
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 12-4pm	Headingley Youth Music Festival, run by our school in our grounds. All our children are in the choir and often other performances, so please avoid planning parties for this day!
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Transition day at Ralph Thoresby School
30 <sup>th</sup> June – 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Learning through Sport Fortnight
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Transition visits to new classes
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Transition days for Lawnswood (extra day available as well, when needed)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Music recital for children learning an instrument in or out of school 9:30am
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day Y5/6 @1:15pm TBC
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day YR/1/2 @9:15am TBC
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day Y3/4 @1:15pm TBC
14 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y2 Intensive Swimming course, followed by weekly lessons all year in Y3
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production to rest of school & grandparents/carers of alternate roles
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production to parents and carers evening
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 travel planning session for secondary school
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Leavers' Service 10:30am at St Michael's Church
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Leavers' ten pin bowling trip
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of term. Acorn Club finishes early today.
SUMMER HOLIDAY no school for children 23 <sup>rd</sup> July to 29 <sup>th</sup> August. Art Camp will run a playscheme.	
TERM DATES: <a href="https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-holidays-and-term-dates">https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-holidays-and-term-dates</a>	

\* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is to be confirmed and may have to change.



## Code Club

Headingley Community Hub & Library

3.30 - 4.30PM, Wednesdays 23 April, 7 May, 21 May,  
4 June, 18 June and 2 July

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Over six sessions, we will explore easy-to-follow projects which will help you to learn a variety of coding languages by making games, programming robots, creating animations, and using websites in a supportive environment.

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Children need to be accompanied by an adult, accompanying adults do not need tickets.



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FOR KIDS AGED 5-11  
**FUN PACKED DAYS**

**PE PARTNER**  
INCREASING AND IMPROVING  
PE PARTNER  
SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR ALL

**EARLY BIRD BOOKING**  
CLUBS COST FROM **£17 per day**  
UNTIL 1 WEEK BEFORE THE CLUBS WHEN THE PRICE WILL RETURN TO £19 PER DAY

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