



Dear Parents and Carers

It was lovely to meet the new cohort of **Reception children** and their adults this week at the welcome meeting. It was great to see both younger siblings and new Shire Oakers getting to know each other in the classroom and we look forward to welcoming them again over the next few weeks. It was also lovely to see friends and family at this morning's special **Eid assembly**. We particularly enjoyed the singing and the phases of the moon by Reception Class as well as the RE learning done by all classes. Thank you to one of our Reception Class families for sharing their Eid celebrations from Malaysia.



This week Year 5 and Year 6 have really immersed themselves in their Starlight topic as this strange dome arrived in the school hall. The children were treated to a 360° **planetarium** view of the solar system and then follow up sessions in the classroom to ask questions and find out more about the planets and objects in our solar system and beyond. Thank you for supporting this visit with your donations, it is appreciated.

We are nearly ready for **Headingley Youth Music Festival** tomorrow! Here are key times you may need to know:

- 12:00 Year 4 Djembe drummers (mainstage)
- 12:30 Shire Oak steel pans (mainstage)
- 12:45 Shire Oak's Got Talent finalists (mainstage)
- 13:10 Whole school singing Lean on Me with Headingley Voices and Kirkstall St Stephens (mainstage)
- 13:20 Shire Oak's Got Talent semi-finalists (hall stage)
- 14:35 Headingley and Kirkstall Combined School Band (hall stage)

(Full programme overleaf)

Please help your child arrive at least 10 minutes before their performance (earlier if they have instruments to set up). If



your child has performances close to each other, please ask them to let Mr Davies know that they are going to be dashing from one to the other! All children who perform get a stamp for a free go on the bouncy castle or the 75 foot long 'toxic waste' obstacle course.

← Here the whole school were warming up before a special rehearsal with Tricia from Headingley Voices.

Here we were testing out the mixture for the

giant bubbles to go with slime-making, rocket launching and kazoo construction! →



We would still welcome more **volunteers** to help tomorrow so that nobody gets stuck on a stall all day. We know that some families weren't able to commit in advance, but if you are able to help, please make yourself known to Liz Craven or other school staff on the day!

I hope you all have a good weekend and a great time at the music festival!

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#### DIARY DATES

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June		Headingley Youth Music Festival (includes our summer fair) All welcome! 12-4pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	*	Rescheduled Y3 trip to Otley Chevin
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June		Stay and Play for Y1 & Y2 families. All welcome at the start of the day
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June		Reception Class trip to Harewood House and gardens
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June		Training Day – school closed to children
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	*	Clean Air Day – anyone who wants to join us straight after school in Year 6 is welcome to come and make placards and signs to take to the demonstration in Headingley that day.
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June		Bun Sale with donations by Reception Class but available for all to buy
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June		Y6 visit to Leeds City College TBC
w/c 24 <sup>th</sup> June		Multicultural Arts and Faith Week (including Ofrenda, community picnic, Vicar and Imam assembly and trips to places of worship)
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June		YAMSEN choir performance
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June		The Big Play concert (Year 4 playing at Pudsey)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	*	Please join us after school for a multicultural picnic where we share food from around the world and families can visit the ofrenda and add their own items.
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July		Year 1 and Year 2 trip to Filey
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> July		Lawnswood transition days for Year 6
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July		Transition Day (visiting new classes)
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July		Y3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July		Assembly about the Leeds libraries summer reading challenge
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July		Staff v pupils football match & barbecue in aid of WWF (organised by Y6)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	*	Music Recital for children who learn an instrument or singing 1:30pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July		Y5/6 production (dress rehearsal in the morning) performance in the evening 6pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July		Author visit to Year 1 (Yasmeen Ismail)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July		Y5 trip to Lawnswood for Maths Puzzle morning
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July		Y3/4 Sports Day (subject to weather) in the morning
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July		Y5/6 Sports Day (subject to weather) in the morning
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July		Y5 trip to Yeadon Tarn
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July		R/1/2 Sports Day (subject to weather) in the morning
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Y6 Bikeability (be practising ready for this!)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July		End of year celebrations
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July		Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church 10:30am
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July		Last day of term before the summer holiday.
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October		Skylar's Missing Note music concert
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	*	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November		Power of One show as part of Anti Bullying Fortnight
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December		Santa and the Christmas Dragon (Alive and Kicking)
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> March	*	Lineham Farm residential for Year 4
<a href="https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar">https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar</a> term dates		
* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change		

We take the safeguarding of children very seriously at our school and we appreciate your help with this. If you have any concerns or observations regarding **health and safety**, please contact Jane Astrid Devane, Marcelle Maver or Liz Craven.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding **child protection** issues, please speak to Jane Astrid Devane, Marcelle Maver or Jane Hincliffe.

If you have questions about your **child's progress** or **how to help them** with the learning they find difficult please speak to your child's teacher or make an appointment to see them via the school office.

The governors are always interested in hearing the **views of parents**. If you would like to speak to a governor, then please email the chair, Julia Kelly [shireoakgovernors@gmail.com](mailto:shireoakgovernors@gmail.com). Our parent governors are often on the playground, if you would like to talk to them.)

**IN THE GROUNDS OF SHIRE OAK PRIMARY SCHOOL**



**JUNE  
15**

**FREE ENTRY**

**12-4**

# **HEADINGLEY YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**OUT OF THIS WORLD**

**live mainstage \* rocket-making \* music & science workshops  
toxic obstacle course \* bbq \* face painting \* storytelling**

Mainstage (in front of school with audience seating in marquee opposite)		Y6 classroom (follow signs)	Hall £	Children's Centre	Marquees £ (on field)	In front of school
12:00	Shire Oak Y4 djembe drummers	<b>DIGITAL MUSIC VENUE</b>  Ableton Push Launchpad Wii remotes Control music and sound with your hands or a Wii remote in this interactive music zone with Leeds Beckett students including demonstrations, workshops and free play on the Ableton Push/ Launchpad.  DJ Skills Led by Cloth Cat 	Café  2nd Stage  Ice creams  Toys & sweets stall  Tombola  FIRST AID  Uniform sale	Headingley & Horsforth Children's Centres will provide messy play and music for small people during the festival as well as a relaxing space for changing and feeding little ones.	Face painting  Hair accessorising  Space & music themed crafts  Father's Day crafts	Woodcraft Folk  Kazoo making   St Michael's Brownies Slime making   Kirkstall Big Lunch Giant Bubbles
12:10	Lawnswood KS3 Ensemble					
12:30	Steel Acorns (steel pans)					
12:45	Shire Oak's Got Talent finalists					
13:10	Choir: Shire Oak, Kirkstall St Stephens & Headingley Voices					
13:20	The Flower Shop (band)					
13:45	Kirkstall St Stephens Y4 wind					
13:50	Code 5					
14:15	Turtles in Purple (band)					
14:50	Emeli Mumford (singer)					
15:15	Ralph Thoresby Funk Band					
15:45	Rock Band finale performance					
<b>Hall Stage</b>						
12:30	Leeds College of Music SMS Target orchestra followed by opportunity to try out the different instruments	<b>Y5 classroom (follow signs)</b>  <b>ROCK SCHOOL Jamming</b> session with performance at the end. Bring your instrument, if you have one. Most suitable for Y5/6 and above. Spaces are strictly limited – early arrival and participation for most of the festival is recommended. They will thrill our festival with a performance at 3:45pm.  	<b>Playground (behind school)</b>  7.5 foot 'Toxic Waste' Bouncy assault course £  Police Community Support Officers – mini uniforms & activities  Football area (N.B. this is not supervised. Parents/carers are responsible for their children at all times)	<b>The (covered) fire pit circle</b>  Djembe drumming  Turn up and play <i>whenever the drums aren't being used on stage</i>	Summer Fair stalls £ Tin can alloy Balloon pop Wheel of Fortune Blast Off and more!  Bouncy Castle £  Rocket Making  Instrument Science	<b>Nature Garden</b>  Come and enjoy the peacefulness in the area between the Children's Centre and the old Wood Lane gate.
13:20	Shire Oak's Got Talent runners up					
14:35	Headingley and Kirkstall Combined Schools Band					
<b>Hexagonal Gazebo (in the orchard near the double gates)</b>						
Stellar storyteller Martin Riley (Alive & Kicking/ Worst Witch screenplay writer) presents Tales From Out Of This World						
1:15	The Great Bear and Beyond – an Arctic Adventure					
3:00	The Heart of the Wood – an Underground Adventure					
<b>Car Park</b>  Barbecue £ (meat and vegetarian options)						

Most activities are provided free of charge. Refreshments and stalls that are charging have a £ symbol next to the venue name or activity.