



Dear Parents and Carers

It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents at Stay and Play this week. The children enjoyed their geography themed activities with you there in the classroom with them. There were plenty of **geography** activities to help children learn important facts yesterday. The day culminated in a special inter-house team quiz with questions taken from each year's curriculum. Mrs Sharon Hall (Y2 teacher and geography leader) was ably assisted by Jai in Year 4 as quizmaster. The children have a few questions to finish in class today before the winners are announced on Monday.



Well done to **Year 5** for an interesting and informative **class assembly** this morning. It was great to hear all about your Circle of Life topic and the other learning you have been doing recently. We particularly enjoyed the artwork, great technical vocabulary and African dancing.

Well done to Rosie in Year 6 who represented our school on steel pans this week at the **City of Leeds Youth Music Prom**. We sent a small delegation of children who love music to support her and to enjoy the other performances by young Leeds musicians. Now is a good time to be thinking about whether your child would like to learn a **musical instrument** in the next school year as early warning can help us organise

a trial with the music teachers before forms have to be returned this summer. Please speak to Susan in the office if you think this might be helpful.



Class	Well done to last week's Superstars who have been chosen by the staff in their class.
YR (Thames)	Sasha knows a lot about animals and uses her knowledge when playing. Annabelle uses her great imagination to make models, both inside and outside.
Y1 (Nile)	Betty really got involved in STEM Week and made a fantastic K'Nex cake. Alek was very inventive and imaginative in STEM Week. Well done!
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	Morgan worked on a design at home and brought it in to challenge the class. Isla did a clear scientific diagram with labels and wrote her predictions carefully.
Y3 (Rhine)	Raphe used excellent scientific vocabulary in STEM Week and gave knowledgeable contributions. Peggy worked hard and showed great scientific skills in STEM Week.
Y4 (Ganges)	Jayden did a great job in the Lego robotics workshop. Hayley had such a positive approach to every STEM activity.
Y5 (Tigris)	Mason was able to talk about our STEM activities and showed good understanding. Shanya showed great enthusiasm and practical skills during our STEM Week.
Y6 (Amazon)	Milo plotted an accurate graph to show a set of results. Rosie put top effort into the escape box activity, solving vital problems to help her team.
Citizen of the Week was Lily-Rose nominated by Y6 peers for being a good friend and having a great attitude. Well done!	

Well done to our Year 4 and 5 **rugby league** team who played at Woodlesford yesterday. Although they won't go through to the Leeds cup this year, Mr Martin was impressed with the improvement shown just in the 40 minute match. The team have been happy to have their coach back after paternity leave. Congratulations to Ian Martin's family on the safe arrival of baby Freya.



I hope you all have a good weekend.

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PS Thank you for your Comic Relief donations and help with facepainting. Total to be announced next week. (Please collect your facepaint from me too!)

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 Hinchliffe.

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. Our parent governors are often on the playground, if you would like to talk to them.)

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 19 th March	Energy Heroes Workshop in Year 5 (Global Fortnight continues)
Thursday 21 st March	Science in School delivered by Leeds University
Thursday 21 st March	Games Night after school TBC
Friday 22 nd March	Philosophy sessions with the university
Monday 25 th March	Bun Sale with donations by Year 2 but available for all to buy
Tuesday 26 th March	Y5 Football tournament at Lawnswood after school
Wednesday 27 th & 28 th March	Parents and Carers Consultation evenings (Lawnswood School will have a stall)
Thursday 28 th March	RNLI water safety assemblies KS1 and KS2
Thursday 28 th March	Y4 visit to Piano Concert at town hall
Friday 29 th March	Young Pianists Assembly
Friday 29 th March	Philosophy sessions with the university
Sat 30 th March -Sun 14 th April	EASTER HOLIDAY. Children do not attend school. Kidzone may offer a week.
Thursday 18 th April	Easter Production by Y3/4. All welcome!
Fri 19 th /Mon 22 nd April	School closed for Good Friday and Easter Monday
Thursday 25 th April	Y5/6 Netball Tournament at Abbey Grange after school
Friday 26 th April	Stay and Play for Reception, Y1 & Y2 families. All welcome at the start of the day
Monday 29 th April	Bun Sale with donations by Year 1 but available for all to buy
Thursday 2 nd May	Y2 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Monday 6 th May	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY. Children do not attend school.
Friday 10 th May	Y4 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Mon 13 th to Fri 17 th May	KS2 SATS Week for Year 6
Tuesday 21 st May	Y1 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 22 nd May	The Big Sing – Year 6 perform with children from all of Leeds
Thursday 23 rd May	Countryside Live trip to Ledston, Year 6s
Thursday 23 rd May	* Possible tri athletics tournament (TBC)
Friday 24 th May	Non uniform day (bring in items for Headingley Youth Music Festival tombola stall)
Mon 27 th to Fri 31 st May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY. Children do not attend school. Kidzone run a playscheme.
Thursday 6 th June	Reception Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Tuesday 11 th June	New Reception Parents meetings (am and evening)
Tuesday 11 th June	Reception Class visit to Leeds Beckett Discovery Garden (TBC)
Wednesday 12 th June	SRE (Relationships Education) parents' evening for Y5/6
Friday 14 th June	Eid Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Saturday 15 th June	Headingley Youth Music Festival (includes our summer fair) All welcome! NEW DATE
Tuesday 18 th June	Stay and Play for Reception, Y1 & Y2 families. All welcome at the start of the day
Tuesday 18 th June	Movie Night 5-7pm TBC
Wednesday 19 th June	Training Day – school closed to children
Monday 24 th June	Bun Sale with donations by Reception Class but available for all to buy
w/c 24 th June	Multicultural Arts and Faith Week (including Ofrenda)
Wednesday 3 rd July	Transition Day (visiting new classes)
Thursday 4 th July	Y3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 5 th July	Staff v pupils football match & barbecue in aid of WWF (organised by Y6)
Wednesday 10 th July	Music Recital (TBC) for children who learn an instrument or singing
Thursday 11 th July	Y5/6 production (dress rehearsal in the morning) performance in the evening
Monday 15 th July	Y3/4 Sports Day (subject to weather) in the morning
Tuesday 16 th July	Y5/6 Sports Day (subject to weather) in the morning
Wednesday 17 th July	R/1/2 Sports Day (subject to weather) in the morning
Wed 17 th to Fri 19 th July	Y6 Bikeability (be practising ready for this!) TBC
Monday 22 nd July	End of year celebrations
Tuesday 23 rd July	Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church 10:30am
Wednesday 24 th July	Last day of term before the summer holiday.
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* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change	