



Dear Parents and Carers

SHIRE OAK

C of E (VC) Primary School

What a great week in school! I have enjoyed seeing some great learning across the curriculum in lessons and beyond. This week **Year 3 enjoyed a special trip to Leeds Discovery Centre** to support their learning about the Stone Age. Well done to Year 3 who navigated public transport and walking in the city centre (exploring Medieval Leeds sites) well and worked hard on their history learning.



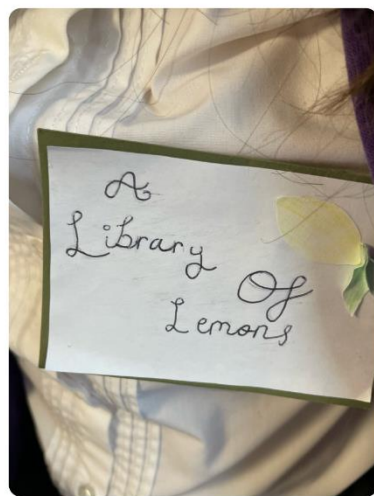
FOSOPS are busy getting ready for their Easter celebrations and fundraising. This year we weren't able to have our traditional Shrove Tuesday pancake sale as it was half term. Instead they will be running a **hot cross bun and Easter treats sale** after school on Friday next week. They would very much welcome donations of buns, including chocolate nests, etc. Volunteers to help with setting up, selling and clearing up are very, very welcome! They are also asking for donations to their **Easter raffle**. Easter eggs are usually the main prize, but anything Easter themed would be welcomed. They will be selling raffle tickets before school the week commencing the 18th March, with the prize draw taking place on Monday 25th. FOSOPS are also providing refreshments at the Y3/4 Easter production so do let them know if you can help out with that. As well as providing social activities for our community, FOSOPS are raising money to develop our outside areas.



It has been great to hear so many fabulous book recommendations this week as part of our **World Book Day** celebrations.

Class	Well done to these Superstars who have been chosen by staff who work with them. Year 6 monitors write down the comments on certificates as they are given out.
YR (Thames)	Sylvie has been working so hard on her letter formation and writing. Alfie has been trying so hard with his phonics and reading.
Y1 (Nile)	Edie for her enthusiasm for the traditional tales learning. Martha makes some amazing creations during area time.
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	Enys had excellent ideas in his story writing and he used adjectives. Barney for his great contribution in topic work. He found learning about Nelson Mandela interesting.
Y3 (Rhine)	Max has tried hard to write extended pieces of real quality showing great resilience. Hanna has brought a positive and enthusiastic learning attitude to our school.
Y4 (Ganges)	Jake consistently demonstrates a fantastic attitude towards his learning and follows instructions first time, every time. Willis is working hard in English. He is contributing in English lessons and is really focusing on his writing.
Y5 (Tigris)	Eloise gave her all working for her team in the relay races in PE. Raajan is working well on answering detailed questions about what he has read.
Y6 (Amazon)	Emma is putting lots of effort and thought into her current writing piece. Zac displays a mature attitude to his learning across the curriculum.
Citizen of the Week was. Atticus . He was nominated for being kind, being a good friend, for being respectful of others and most of all being trustworthy. Well done!	

We loved seeing the costumes, props and quotes that children (and staff) had thought about and shared with their classmates. It was great to see a range of books – fiction, non-fiction and even books of music scores! (photo overleaf)



I hope you have a lovely weekend.

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DIARY DATES

Mon 11 th & Tues 12 th March	(British Science Week 8 th to 17 th March) Our workshops on these dates.
Monday 11 th March	Y6 watching dress rehearsal of Beauty and the Beast at Lawnswood School
Thursday 14 th March	Stay and Play in YR, Y1 & Y2 at the start of the day. Families welcome!
Thursday 14 th March	Y3 at Leeds University School Sports Festival TBC
Friday 15 th March	Hot Cross Bun sale straight after school TBC
Monday 18 th March	Water safety assemblies
18 th to 20 th March	Class visits to St Michael's to learn about the Easter story
Wednesday 20 th March	Parents and Carers Evening (appointments with class teachers)
Tuesday 26 th March	Y3/4 Easter Production dress rehearsal am for classes in school
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Wednesday 27 th March	Y3/4 Easter Production AM, families welcome THIS IS A TIME CLARIFICATION
Thursday 28 th March	TRAINING DAY. School will be closed to children. Staff will be training in school.
EASTER HOLIDAY. School will be closed Good Friday 29/3 to Friday 12/4. https://artcampuk.com/ will run.	
Monday 15 th April	Year 2 intensive swimming lessons start (letter to follow nearer the time)
Friday 19 th April	Stay and Play in YR, Y1 & Y2 at the start of the day. Families welcome!
22 nd & 23 rd April	D:Side PSHCE sessions (Safety around medicines, alcohol, etc.)
Tuesday 23 rd April	LKS2 Netball festival after school
Thursday 25 th April *	Book Club trip to Armley Mills cinema
Friday 26 th April	Year 2 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All Y2 families and friends welcome!
Sunday 28 th April	Shire Oak Sunday at St Michael's Church 10am, all welcome to the all-age service
Sunday 28 th April	Leeds Rhinos netball match – tickets available via school
Friday 3 rd May	Reception Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All YR friends and family welcome!
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY. School will be closed the 6 th May for one day.	
13 th to 17 th May	KS2 SATs week (Year 6)
Friday 17 th May	Year 1 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All Y1 friends and family welcome!
HALF TERM. School will be closed Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May. https://artcampuk.com/ will run a playscheme	
3 rd to 7 th June	Green Week, including pedestrian and scooter training
3 rd to 7 th June	Bikeability training for Year 6. This will include road cycling if the assessment is passed!
Tuesday 4 th June	Y3 trip to Otley Chevin TBC
Wednesday 5 th June	R&S Education meeting for Y5 and Y6 parents/carers
Tuesday 11 th June	Y5 trip to the water treatment plant
Tuesday 11 th June	Y5/6 Girls' Tag Rugby qualifiers 1-3pm
Wednesday 12 th June	TRAINING DAY. School closed to children. Staff working offsite.
Thursday 13 th June	Eid assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 14 th June	Non uniform day (in return for a tombola present for HYMF, thank you)
Thursday 20 th June	New Reception parents/carers meeting (am and evening)
Thursday 20 th June	Y5/6 Mixed Culley Sevens 1-3pm
Friday 21 st June	Y5 trip to the recycling plant
Saturday 22 nd June	Headingley Youth Music Festival 12-4pm. This is our gift to the community and also our summer fair. All children in school are in our choir that performs, as do Y4 djembe players and other musicians. (Please avoid booking parties today!)
Monday 24 th June	Y5/6 Girls' Tag Final stages (at Headingley) 1-3pm
Wednesday 26 th June	Y5/6 Girls' Contact Festival 1-3pm
Friday 28 th June	Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All friends and family of Y3 welcome!
Wednesday 3 rd July	Transition day (children meeting their new teachers and visiting new classrooms)
Thursday 4 th July	Music Recital am. All welcome!
Friday 5 th July *	KS2 webinar with Laura Ellen Anderson to launch the summer reading challenge.
Mon 15 th & Tues 16 th July	Sports Days TBC
Wednesday 17 th July	Y5/6 production to rest of school
Thursday 18 th July	Y5/6 production to friends and family, all welcome! (evening)
Monday 22 nd July	Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church, 10:30am. All welcome!
Tuesday 23 rd July	Y6 Leavers' trip
TERM DATES: https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar	

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