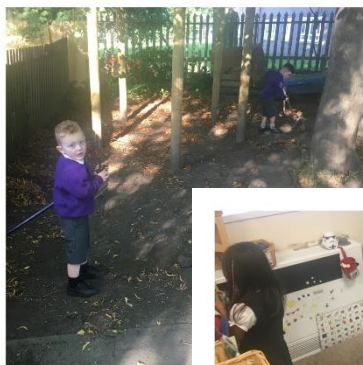




Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our new families and welcome back to our returning families. I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer. The children are certainly happy to talk about the places and people they have visited, the fun they have had and the books they have read this holiday. They are all trying very hard to impress their new teachers and have made a good start to the year.

Our **new Reception Class** have been settling in very well this week too. They have made friends, tried out the different areas of provision inside and outdoors and proudly showed off their new uniforms. As I finish this letter they are about to stay for their first school dinner. Today their home grown-ups can join them to help them and see how it works. From next week they will be looked after by our Year 6 children who love being Reception Class **buddies!**



This **newsletter** comes out most weeks (and is numbered so you can check you haven't missed a copy). In it we try to give you a flavour of school life, share our celebrations and pass on useful information. We include the diary dates we know for the year. We asterisk new or changed items so that you can keep your calendars up to date.

Susan Koyuncu has asked me to let you know that if you pay for **dinner money** a half term at a time, then the cost will be £91.20 for children in Years 3 to 6.

Have a lovely weekend.

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PS Watch out next week for information about standing for election as a parent governor.



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

DIARY DATES

Monday 2 nd September	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children
Tuesday 3 rd September	First day of school for Years 1 to 6.
Wednesday 4 th September	Reception Class start in groups for the next three half days
Friday 6 th September	Reception Class stay for lunch for the first time – parents & carers welcome
Monday 9 th September	Reception Class start full days at school
Monday 9 th September *	Y3 transition meetings
Thursday 19 th September *	Hustings (election speeches) from Y5 School Council Vice-Chair candidates
Wednesday 25 th September *	Reception Class parents meeting about phonics
Thursday 26 th September *	Rosh Hashanah assembly. 9am in the hall, all welcome (Y1-Y6 will participate)
Wednesday 2 nd October *	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Friday 4 th October *	Harvest Festival, 9am in the hall. All welcome! (Reception to Year 6)
Saturday 5 th October *	FOSOPS Getting to Know You Outdoor Activities TBC
Thursday 10 th October *	Individual photos day
Friday 11 th October *	Year 4 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 16 th October	Skylar's Missing Note music concert during House Team Hobby Half Day
Friday 18 th October *	Year 1 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Tue 22 nd & Wed 23 rd October*	Parents Evenings in the evening. Y5 and Y6 attend appointments with their parents.
Friday 25 th October	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children
4 th to 15 th November *	Anti-Bullying Fortnight
Wednesday 6 th November	Power of One show as part of Anti Bullying Fortnight
Thursday 7 th November *	Flu vaccines
Friday 8 th November *	Divali Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Tuesday 12 th November *	Open Morning 9:30 and Open Evening 6pm. All welcome!
Thursday 14 th November *	Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 15 th November *	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
18 th to 22 nd November *	Internet Safety Week including visits from d:side
Wednesday 20 th November *	Winter Festival of Fire after school. All welcome!
Thursday 21 st November *	Parliament & democracy assembly and workshop for KS2
Wed 4 th to Fri 6 th December *	Robinwood Residential for Year 6
Friday 6 th December *	Year 5 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
w/c 9 th December *	Book Club visit to Christmas production at the theatre
Thursday 12 th December *	Nativity Dress Rehearsal in the morning
Friday 13 th December *	Nativity Productions morning c.9:15am and afternoon 1:15pm.
Tuesday 17 th December *	Carol Service at St Michael's Church, 10:30am. All welcome!
Tuesday 17 th December *	Christmas dinner in school
Thursday 19 th December	Santa and the Christmas Dragon (Alive and Kicking) and Christmas parties
Thursday 9 th January *	Open Morning, 9:30am. All welcome!
Wednesday 15 th January *	Maths Focus Day and maths meeting for Reception parents (in the afternoon)
Thursday 16 th January *	Y6 Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 17 th January *	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Tuesday 21 st January *	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children TBC
Friday 24 th January *	Year 2 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 31 st January *	Geography Knowledge Day
Thursday 6 th February *	Reception Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Sunday 9 th February *	Shire Oak Sunday - welcome to join the all age service St Michael's Church 10am
10 th to 14 th February *	Writing Focus Week including House Team Hobby Half Day
Thursday 5 th March *	World Book Day – we dress up as characters or 'wear' quotes we love.
Thursday 5 th March *	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Wed 11 th - Fri 13 th March	Lineham Farm residential for Year 4
Thursday 12 th March *	Nurses to see Y1 and Y6
Wednesday 18 th March *	Year 1 Class Assembly
Thursday 19 th March *	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children TBC
Thursday 26 th March *	Nurses visit TBC

Thursday 2 nd April	*	Easter production dress rehearsal
Friday 3 rd April	*	Easter production, c.9:15 in the hall, all welcome!
Wed 22 nd & Thur 23 rd April	*	Parents Evenings in the evening. Y5 and Y6 attend appointments with their parents.
Thursday 30 th April	*	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Friday 1 st April	*	Y4 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 29 th April	*	Y2 Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Mon 4 th & Tues 5 th May	*	Visits from d:side on medicines, drugs, alcohol and smoking
Thursday 7 th May	*	Reception Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 8 th May	*	VE Day Bank Holiday (2020 only)
11 th to 14 th May	*	KS2 SATs week
18 th to 22 nd May	*	Green Week including road safety
Thursday 21 st May	*	Class and team photos
Friday 5 th June	*	Eid assembly
Friday 5 th June	*	Non-uniform day (in return for tombola items for Headingley Youth Music Festival)
Wednesday 10 th June	*	Y5 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 10 th June	*	Relationships Education meeting for Y5/6 parents in the evening TBC
Thursday 11 th June	*	New Reception parents' meetings (am and evening)
Saturday 13 th June 12-4pm	*	Headingley Youth Music Festival. All our children perform & includes summer fair
15 th to 19 th June	*	Geography Mapping Week (includes orienteering)
Tuesday 16 th June	*	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Wednesday 17 th June	*	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children TBC
Friday 19 th June	*	Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 24 th June	*	Music recital for children learning instruments in and out of school
Wednesday 1 st July	*	Transition Day
Friday 3 rd July	*	Adults v Children netball match and barbecue
Thursday 9 th July	*	Y5/6 production performance in front of the school
Thursday 9 th July	*	Y5/6 production for parents in the evening, 6pm. All welcome!
Monday 13 th July	*	R/1/2 Sports Day c.9am and Y5/6 Sports Day c.1.10pm (weather dependant)
Tuesday 14 th July	*	Y3/4 Sports Day c.9am
Thursday 16 th July	*	Leavers' Service 10:30am St Michael's Church
Friday 17 th July	*	Parties and Y6 Leavers' Bowling trip or similar
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* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change		



Celebrate World Car Free Day

Sunday Sept 22nd
12.30pm – 4pm APPROX.
North Lane

Enjoy the pleasure of spending the afternoon at our Street Fair, without the noise, pollution and congestion of traffic. There will be a range of stalls from environmental groups as well as food, music and entertainment for children.

