



Dear Parents and Carers

FOSOPS have asked me to remind you to drop off any **outgrown uniform** in the last two days of term so that they can wash and bag it over the summer for sale and reuse in the autumn– there will be a box in the playground before school for this. Thank you!

We are very pleased to have received the **SIAMS report** following our inspection on the 6th. A copy of the report will be going home today, and we are pleased that we have been graded outstanding in all areas. It was particularly good to hear her feedback where she commented very favourably on our children who she said were articulate, honest and perceptive ambassadors for the school. It was good to be described as very inclusive and that they understood why it is important to us to value beliefs from other faiths and non-faith backgrounds.

Following Heather Sharpe's storytelling in Year 4 last week, the children made **paper boats** and delivered them to The Bowery in Headingley. They are now on display outside the upstairs gallery in **The Bowery Café** so do have a look!



Chris from Headingley Library came to assembly this morning to explain about the **summer reading challenge**. If children visit the library 3 times over the summer and record reading 6 books they are eligible for various rewards. If our school has the most number of participants, we will win an author visit! The children love their link with Headingley Library and this would be a good way to keep them reading for fun over the holidays.

It has been lovely spending some more time getting to know **Miss Teju Sonuga** this week as she has been getting to know the children and staff. We look forward to working with her.

Year 3 wrote reports for last week's **Community Week newsletter** that somehow I missed. Here they are (with my apologies):

RUGBY CLUB

On the 3rd of July 2015 at rugby club we started playing contact rugby for the first time. First we started by practising tackling. My partner was Callum and at first we did a standing tackle, then we did a walking tackle, then we did a jogging tackle, and finally we did a sprinting tackle. It was very funny because Mr Martin had to help people to tackle Lucus! After that we played a match where Roman and I scored so many tries we had to stop scoring. I really enjoyed that rugby lesson.

By Jago in year 3.

The story teller

On Tuesday 7th July when I was creating a poster a mysterious looking woman came in and everybody said "it's the story teller!". The best story she told was Jake the Bake, it was a very funny and exciting tale about a girl, a baker and an old woman. The baker was a young boy who had a grumpy girlfriend called Gladys the Grump - she was called this because she was very grumpy! One day an old woman came to the bakers but Gladys said "c.l.o.s.e.d".

After Gladys put the most tiny piece of bread in the oven, Gladys said rudely "Who do you think you are?" and the old woman turned her into an owl who was never seen again.

By Lalayni in year 3

Storyteller

On Tuesday 7th July a story teller came to Shire Oak Primary School to tell year 3 a story. She had to come into year 3 classroom instead of on the Ridge for Forest School because it was thundering it down outside.

Heather, who was the story teller, told us a story and the story was called Jake the Bake. Jake, who was a baker, baked delicious bread. Every time Jake got a piece of dough and banged it in the oven just a while later a magnificent smell spread through the bakery shop. Every time Jake baked even a little piece of dough it still smelt magnificent. Heather told us a story but she didn't just use her normal voice she used different voices whenever someone spoke in the story. Heather used different connectives, she just didn't use 'and' over and over again. In the middle of the story Heather told us that on the right hand side of Headingley library, there is a baker who owned a shop and baked a bread man with currants for eyes.

Finally Heather talked to us about Jenny Green Teeth, who sometimes slivers about and likes to have dirty scruffy hair and mucky clothes.

By Mia in Year 3

Sports day

On Monday 6th of July at Shire Oak School, Year 3 and 4 had their sports day from 1:00 o'clock. After Lunch we got our PE kits and sorted into five different teams: Lions, Rhinos, Leopards, Elephants and Giraffes. I took part in the egg and spoon, javelin and three legged race. I thought it was amazing because I love sports, especially javelin.

By Simeon, Year 3

Sports Day

On Monday 6th July 2015 we had a sports day for year 3 and 4 after lunch on the front field. We brought the water bottles out and then we began.

First it was the sprint race I was up first, I got in position the whistle blew I was off, I had a not so great start but then it was time for me to shine. I zoomed past Ella and Ibrahim I imagined me getting that amazing number one sticker and I was soon I was next to Roman and I just beat Jago I won!

I walked back along the side walk breathing deeply, people applauding me and I sat down with my team. Brooke did the other running race for our team and she came second because Callum was a little faster than Brooke.

My next event was javelin, I lined up along side Kelsey from Lions, Frank from Giraffes, Lucas from Elephants and last but not least Jago from Rhinos. Jago threw first then Lucas , me, Frank and Kelsey. They all threw really far, my first throw went terribly. I tried again. It was the same order as last time. We went to our markers and they announced "Lucas 1st", I clapped as he went to get his sticker . "At second place Lewis", I went to go get my sticker and I sat back down.

The final race was relay, Phoebe and I went to the far end of the field while Brooke and Noah were at the other end. Noah started off with the baton, he ran, he passed to me, I ran and passed to Brooke, she ran to Phoebe, Phoebe was nearly finished.... "we won, we won!"

Everyone counted the stickers and the total score for all the teams across school will be announced in assembly.

By Lewis, Year 3

Have a great weekend.

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The finished painted **shed** at HEART in Headingley. We received this lovely email from Elaine, the centre manager:
I just wanted to thank you, the staff and the pupils involved with the design and painting of the mural at HEART and the organisation that went into the visit. A marvellous job was done by all and the shed looks stunning! We are thrilled with the result.

Did you know?

Janie Percy-Smith, our chair of governors, will be stepping down in September after many years of loyal service to the school as a parent governor, community governor and as chair of governors. She has successfully steered the school through many changes and challenges, including amalgamation, new leadership teams and a period of intensive school improvement. We are incredibly grateful for all her hard work, dedication, support and challenge. We are glad that she will still keep a link to the school, the library she has contributed so much time to and the children who love reading and talking with her. At the Leavers' Service on Monday we will be saying thank you and goodbye to our Y6s, Chloe Grey, Sarah Coulter and Janie.

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 14 th July	Y5/6 production dress rehearsal for the other classes
Wednesday 15 th July	Afternoon and evening production of Y5/6 show
Wednesday 15 th July	Sports Day reserve day (in case of inclement weather)
Thursday 16th July	School disco? The We will have a disco before Christmas.
Thurs 16 th & Fri 17 th July	Bikeability for Year 6
Monday 20 th July	Leavers' Service 11 am St Michael's Church. All welcome.
Monday 20 th July	The Pier Boys drama by Alive and Kicking (children only)
Tuesday 21 st July	Last day of the school year – Year 6 will probably go bowling.
Monday 7 th September	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children
Tuesday 8 th September	First day of the school year 2015-2016
Friday 23 rd October (correction!)*	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children. Child Protection refresher training.
Monday 4 th January	TRAINING DAY – subject to confirmation
Thursday 24 th March	TRAINING DAY – subject to confirmation
Wednesday 22 nd June	TRAINING DAY – subject to confirmation. Assessment and report writing.

* means added or changed since last newsletter