





and on double yellow lines. I know there can be exemptions for drivers displaying a valid disabled badge with a time clock, but such parking must not cause an obstruction. Alma Road, which is a one-way street, is quite narrow and to turn into the driveways sometimes needs clearance on both sides of the street. The local police community support officers will be attending soon to answer your questions and check that everything is safe for the children walking to school and for the local residents.

This morning Mrs Maver led a **superstars assembly** which focused on celebrating the music learning going on in school. Teachers nominated children for practising, sharing and enthusiasm in learning to play an instrument and we started the assembly listening to one of our Y6 violinists.

Class	Well done to these Superstars who have been chosen by staff who work with them. Year 6 monitors write down the comments from certificates as they are given out.
YR (Thames)	<b>Riley</b> demonstrates care and precision when playing the glockenspiel in music. <b>Mason</b> is always showing his great clear singing in our music lessons.
Y1 (Nile)	<b>Nicolai</b> always joins in well in music lessons, especially singing. <b>Zella</b> always participates well in music lessons.
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	<b>Seb, Sonny and Willow S</b> were all celebrated for great ukulele playing.
Y3 (Rhine)	<b>Myles</b> for excellent commitment to his practice. <b>Jacob BB</b> for putting lots of effort into learning the drums.
Y4 (Ganges)	<b>Renee</b> for excellent commitment to her practice. <b>Marnie</b> for good practising. <b>Alun</b> for working hard in piano lessons.
Y5 (Tigris)	<b>Kobi</b> for great improvement in drum lessons. <b>Stella</b> for learning her song so quickly.
Y6 (Amazon)	<b>Mali</b> for playing the drums with confidence. <b>Elliot</b> for distinction in his violin exam – well done! <b>Stan</b> works hard in improving his drum playing .
<b>Citizen of the Week</b> was <b>Jennifer</b> for being kind and respectful to everyone and always follows all of the school values. She was nominated by <b>Caleb</b> . Well done!	

Having seen the equipment being dropped off for **A Camp** next week that includes archery kits, and much more, it is no wonder that it is filling up fast. I think Tuesday may be fully booked now, but Thursday and Friday do have some spaces for now.

This year **Shrove Tuesday** falls in the half term holiday so FOSOPS are holding their annual pancake sale at the end of school today. Thank you to anyone who has donated pancakes and thank you (in advance) to anyone running the event or buying treats.

I hope you have a great half term break. We look forward to seeing you all on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**.

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#### DIARY DATES

16 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> February HALF TERM School closed to children. <a href="#">A Camps</a> will run a holiday playscheme here at Shire Oak.	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	NSPCC workshops Y2, Y5 and Y6.
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Football team playing Ireland Wood at 'home' (Lawnswood pitch) after school
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Stay and Play for YR, Y1 and Y2 families.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Shire Oak Sunday at St Michael's Church 10am
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y1 trip to Temple Newsam
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day. Children are invited to dress up as a favourite character.
6 <sup>th</sup> to 15 <sup>th</sup> March	British Science Week (we extend this for the fortnight)
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	* Y6 trip to see The Wiz at Lawnswood School
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	French Day in school

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 Pizza Club starts (which day TBC)
16 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Neurodiversity Celebration Week
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Virtual Reality workshops
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Eid ul Fitr assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome! TBC
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Y3 Sports Festival am
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y6 Tag Rugby at Kirkstall pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> March onwards	Class visits to St Michael's to explore Easter story begin
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents and Carers' Evening (appointments this week or next week)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	FOSOPS bun sale after school (buns from Y5 this time please)
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Y3/4 Easter production (dress rehearsal to the school)
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Y3/4 Easter production to parents and carers in the morning
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Parents and Carers' Evening.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	TRAINING DAY. School closed to children.
3 <sup>rd</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> April	EASTER HOLIDAY School closed to children. <a href="#">A Camps</a> will run a holiday playscheme here at Shire Oak.
22 <sup>nd</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	D:Side workshops about medicines, drugs and alcohol safety
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Vaisakhi Assembly 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Swimming at Scott Hall starts TBC
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Year 2 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY School closed to children
7 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 Residential
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 trip to waste recycling plant
w/c/ 11 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATS week. As these are statutory, please avoid planned appointments, etc.
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
w/c 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Bikeability for Year 6
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Multicultural picnic after school TBC
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	FOSOPS bun sale after school (buns from Y6 this time please)
25 <sup>th</sup> to 29 <sup>th</sup> May HALF TERM School closed to children. There will be a holiday playscheme.	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Green Week including Road Safety
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Pedestrian Training
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	RSE parents meeting for Y5/6 (optional) 5pm TBC
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	TRAINING DAY. School closed to children.
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Non uniform day in return for tombola prizes for HYMF
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	FOSOPS bun sale after school (buns from YR this time please)
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 trip to Water Treatment Works
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	New Reception parents meeting am and evening TBC
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Headingley Youth Music Festival (HYMF) 12-4pm. All our children are in the choir and many will be in other performances. We host and run this event for the community, which incorporates our summer fair. Please avoid booking birthday parties, etc. on this day.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Y3 sharing assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Transition day for children moving to Y7 at Lawnswood School and our in-school transition day with sessions for incoming Reception.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Music Recitals and 9:15 and 2pm. TBC
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 Sports Day 1:15pm
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	YR/1/2 Sports Day c. 9:15am
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3/4 Sports Day 1:15pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production dress rehearsal to rest of school
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production pm and evening (ticketed entrance to one of the shows)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Teachers available after school to drop in and discuss end of year reports
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	FOSOPS ice cream sale after school

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church, 10:30am.
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Y6 leavers' ten pin bowling trip
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term. Acorn Club finishes early today.
DATES: <a href="https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-holidays-and-term-dates">https://www.leeds.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-holidays-and-term-dates</a>	

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

**SHIRE OAK PRIMARY**

**FEBRUARY**

**ACTIVE**

**CAMP**

**CAMP INCLUDES**

- ✓ Lots of Games, sports, crafts, activities and FUN!!!
- ✓ Delivered by minimum level 2 sports coaches
- ✓ Theme Days!!!
- ✓ Staff trained in First Aid and Safeguarding

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16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**TIME**

Scan the QR Code for pricing & bookings

If you use childcare vouchers to pay, please contact the Shire Oak office directly.

If booking 3+ sessions use discount code FEB10