

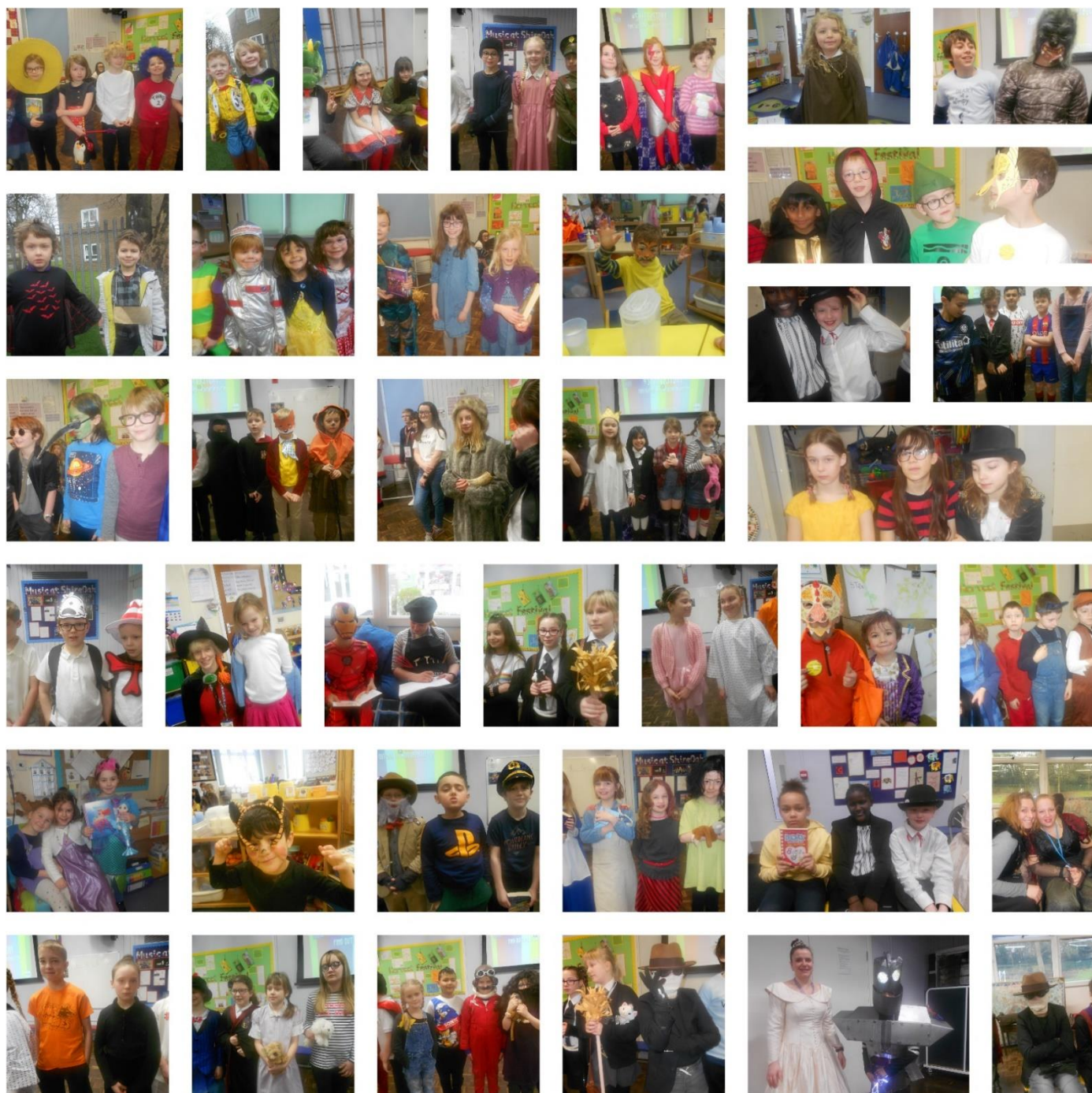


# SHIRE OAK

C of E (VC) Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful **World Book Day** yesterday! We are always so impressed with the enthusiasm and thought that has gone into the costumes, props and quotes that come to school. It was so good to be able to talk to children about books that they love and that they were then recommending to their classmates. Although there were many fantastical (and fiendish) fiction characters, there were also good ideas from non-fiction books too. Thank you very much to the families who have helped children's ideas come to life!



Thank you also for the support you have been giving to our **Cash for Kids** fundraising efforts. We have very much appreciated the spare change sent in... we have counted £150 of **coins** so far and we are still counting (and collecting!) School Council are trialling a **tuck shop** today and if it is successful they will be repeating it on Fridays for the rest of March. (Items cost up to 50p and include cheese portions, yoghurt tubes, fruit, etc.) In the middle of all this fundraising the Year 2 bun sale still managed to raise over £70 – thank you!



Thank you also to the family members who were able to join Reception and KS1 yesterday for **Stay and Play**. It is always good to see them showing you their learning spaces and seeing you chat to their staff team.

Well done to **Year 3** who were great ambassadors on the trip to **Harlow Carr** this week. They enjoyed the cold, winter sunshine and came back rosy cheeked from their day of outdoor learning.



Iveson Primary sent us this lovely message after the recent **football match** against them: *Thanks for the match, your children's attitude was brilliant!* Well done to all who represented our school.

Class	Well done to this week's Superstars and the Superstars from Writing Week who have been chosen by staff in their class.
YR (Thames)	<b>Effie</b> is an independent writer. <b>Joe</b> wrote the beginning of a great story.
Y1 (Nile)	<b>Rafael</b> is beginning to use some super descriptive language in his writing. <b>Arthur</b> has been working hard on his writing and it is beginning to show real creativity. <b>Emma</b> always presents her work to a very high standard and put all her effort into completing a task well. <b>Sasha</b> for improving her writing using her phonics. <b>Etta</b> for lovely creative ideas and her handwriting is beautiful.
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	<b>Benji</b> always presents his written work well and strives to apply new knowledge to his work.
Y3 (Rhine)	<b>Morgan</b> is focusing on being the best writer he can be, including completing his task by sharing all of his skills. <b>Bella H</b> has listened to advice and focused on the learning so that she can try lots of new skills and ideas in her writing. <b>Ada</b> wrote a long and detailed book review of Fantastic Mr Fox. <b>Hugo</b> has been writing clear, well punctuated sentences that make sense to produce ever improving pieces of independent writing.
Y4 (Ganges)	<b>Rose</b> has made a great start to her story for the 500 word writing competition. <b>Raphe</b> has thought carefully about the plot of his story and his choice of vocabulary. <b>Hope</b> always brings a positive approach to her learning. <b>Oliver</b> is working hard on being more productive in English.
Y5 (Tigris)	<b>Hayley</b> for her effort in completing writing tasks and tackling tricky work. <b>Isabella</b> because of her improvement in writing and attitude to learning. <b>Jesse</b> always tries his best and it shows in his writing. <b>Dylan</b> worked hard to improve his writing and produces a great balanced argument.
Y6 (Amazon)	<b>Shanya</b> always puts top effort into her writing and wants to improve when redrafting. <b>Rowan</b> is selecting strong vocabulary and phrases in his writing. <b>Leya</b> puts lots of consideration into her extended pieces of writing. <b>Rattan</b> always tries to make his extended pieces of writing the best they can be.
<b>Citizen of the Week</b> was <b>Amirali</b> for independently learning in a second language who was nominated by Charlotte and Emily S and then <b>Harvey</b> for being loyal to his friends and classmates. He was nominated by Isabella. Well done!	

Have a lovely weekend.

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PS **Concert tonight** here at school.  
 All welcome!

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](mailto:shireoakgovernors@gmail.com). Our parent governors are often on the playground, if you would like to talk to them.)

## DIARY DATES

24 <sup>th</sup> February to 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Radio Aire Cash for Kids School Challenge <a href="http://tiny.cc/C4KShire">tiny.cc/C4KShire</a>
2 <sup>nd</sup> to the 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Mathletics Challenge – which class can win? Play at school and at home
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Concert by Combined Schools Band and Tutti, school hall in the evening TBC
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception & Y1 trip to workshop & Discovery Garden at Leeds Beckett University
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> - Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Lineham Farm residential for Year 4
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Movie Night TBC
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children. Staff will be receiving First Aid training
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Coffee morning at the start of the day in the school hall
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 Piano Fantasia trip (as part of Leeds Piano Competition)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Step into Easter trip for Y5
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	* Environment Club trip to Harewood House (focus on reducing waste)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 rugby league match at Richmond House (walking at 2.30pm, kick off 3.30)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Easter production dress rehearsal
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter production, c.9:15 in the hall, all welcome!
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> & Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Parents Evenings in the evening. Y5 and Y6 attend appointments with their parents.
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Bun Sale with donations by Y1 but available for all to buy
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Y2 Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Y4 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> & Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Visits from d:side on medicines, drugs, alcohol and smoking
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	VE Day Bank Holiday (2020 only) SCHOOL CLOSED
11 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y6 flag bearers at Leeds v Huddersfield rugby match in the evening.
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Ground Force Day and BBQ – help to improve our grounds
18 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Green Week including road safety
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Class and team photos
w/c Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Bikeability for Y6. Get practising so you're ready!
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Eid assembly
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Non-uniform day (in return for tombola items for Headingley Youth Music Festival)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Bun Sale with donations by Reception Class but available for all to buy
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Nurses to see Reception and Y6
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Relationships Education meeting for Y5/6 parents in the evening TBC
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	New Reception parents' meetings (am and evening)
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 12-4pm	Headingley Youth Music Festival. All our children perform & includes summer fair
15 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Geography Mapping Week (includes orienteering)
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Stay and Play, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in class at the start of the day
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children TBC
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Music recital for children learning instruments in and out of school
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Transition Day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Adults v Children netball match and barbecue
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production performance in front of the school
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5/6 production for parents in the evening, 6pm. All welcome!
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	R/1/2 Sports Day c.9am and Y5/6 Sports Day c.1.10pm (weather dependant)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Y3/4 Sports Day c.9am
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers' Service 10:30am St Michael's Church
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Parties and Y6 Leavers' Bowling trip or similar
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Confirmed as a closure day due to building work on our roof.
<a href="https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar">https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar</a> term dates	
* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change	