



SHIRE OAK
C of E (VC) Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers

We were fortunate with the weather on Saturday – the rain stopped long enough to give us a good window for an autumnal wander on The Ridge. In Forest School Year 3 had prepared a trail for our annual **Woodland Walk** and we enjoyed following it and getting to know new families and catching up with others. Thanks to everyone who came and the staff who supported and cooked for us. (Apologies for completely forgetting to take any photos!)

Well done to the children in Year 4 and Year 5 who this week played **rugby** against our regular opponents, Woodlesford. For many players it was their debut in a school match, so well done to them for their resilience and enthusiasm.



We are pleased to have been partnered with a local care home for a **Pen Pal** project. 10 of our children are writing to residents at a local older person's care home. We hope to exchange letters, Christmas cards and meet up to get to know each other and learn from each other.

Children from Reception to Year 6 will be making **mouse rockets** over the next few weeks in a whole school science progression project. Mr Marshall roped in some extra help to make his 'here's one I made earlier' models for the staff meeting launch and is worried that artistry and accuracy may have got in the way of aerodynamics...



Well done to **Year 4** for a great class assembly this morning. It is great to see how well you can share your learning, even when you have been doing some of it on your class set of Chrome Books.

Thank you to Jackie and Susan for organising our **school photos** this week. We hope you like the proofs and consider buying them as keepsakes (and perhaps Christmas presents?) The School Fund receives commission on purchases, particularly those done by the deadline, so it benefits all our children.

Class	Well done to this week's Superstars who have been chosen by staff in their class.
YR (Thames)	Elliot is really enthusiastic about maths. Mali is always happy to try out new things.
Y1 (Nile)	Ibrahim is a superstar because he has been working really hard on his handwriting. Iris has been working really hard on her counting in 10s.
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	Zac is approaching his writing with great enthusiasm, creativity and flair. Priya is working hard to improve her maths and is gaining in confidence as a result.
Y3 (Rhine)	Jorge has taken responsibility for improving his mental maths and is making great progress. Bea has been completing tasks and overcoming problems with writing despite her arm injury.
Y4 (Ganges)	Flo is keen and engaged with her learning in all subjects. Raphe is producing creative work in English lessons.
Y5 (Tigris)	James persevered with challenging maths problems. Libby always gives 100% and because he is a kind, caring friend.
Y6 (Amazon)	Erin is pushing herself to be the best writer she can be. Rafi is always attentive to his work and shows kindness to classmates.
Citizen of the Week was Denev and Rattan for playing really well with Reception children before the start of the day. They were nominated by parents of children in Year 1 and Reception class.	

Have a lovely weekend.

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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 14 th October	Football match (away) at Iverson Primary TBC
Wednesday 16 th October	Skylar's Missing Note music concert and Red Cross session on refugees during House Team Hobby Half Day
Friday 18 th October	Year 1 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Monday 21 st October	Football match against Weetwood (away at Lawnswood)
Tue 22 nd & Wed 23 rd October	Parents Evenings in the evening. Y5 and Y6 attend appointments with their parents.
Thursday 24 th October	Games Night in the early evening. All welcome!
Friday 25 th October	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children
Monday 28 th October to Friday 1 st November HALF TERM	
School is closed to children but Kidzone will be running a holiday club and I have spoken to them about guaranteeing that it will run as publicised and ensuring a good programme of activities for the week.	
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!
Monday 11 th November	Bun Sale with donations by Y5 but available for all to buy
Fri 8 th & Mon 11 th November	The Cave drama work with Alive & Kicking, Year 4 8 th Year 3 11 th
Tuesday 12 th November	Open Morning 9:30 and Open Evening 6pm. All welcome!
Wednesday 13 th November	Y1/Y2 trip to Waitrose for Food Glorious Food topic
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
Friday 15 th November	Y5 rugby match at Richmond House
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!
Monday 9 th December	Bun Sale with donations by Y4 but available for all to buy
Tuesday 10 th December	Book Club visit to Wizard of Oz at Leeds Playhouse 1:30pm
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
Monday 20 th January	Bun Sale with donations by Y3 but available for all to buy
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
Monday 2 nd March	Bun Sale with donations by Y2 but available for all to buy
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
Wednesday 18 th March	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wednesday 18 th March	Movie Night TBC
Thursday 19 th March	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children 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
Monday 27 th April	Bun Sale with donations by Y1 but available for all to buy
Wednesday 29 th April	Y2 Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 1 st May	Y4 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) SCHOOL CLOSED
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)
Monday 8 th June	Bun Sale with donations by Reception Class but available for all to buy
Monday 8 th June	Nurses to see Reception and Y6
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
Monday 20 th July	Likely to be a closure day due to building work on our roof.
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* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change	



KIDZONE OCTOBER PLAYScheme

28TH - 1ST

SHIRE OAK SCHOOL

HEADINGLEY

Wood Lane LS6 2DT



8.30- 5.30pm £21.00 per day

All children welcome 4yrs - 12yrs OFSTED Registered

Play Sessions Include:
Arts & Crafts
Sports Activities
Indoor & Outdoor Play
Lots of Fun & Games

To register and book your place please phone:
07847442492 07708879920

(Closing Date* 18th October *£2.00 per day late booking fee)