

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all had a good half term break and an enjoyable **bonfire night**. Thanks Catherine Taylor and kitchen staff for our themed school dinner on Tuesday! (**Dinner money** charges this half term are £84:00 for Years 3 to 5 and £76.80 for Year 6, due to their residential.)

It was lovely to see family and friends at our **Divali** sharing assembly this morning. We enjoyed sharing artwork, research, songs and poetry with you. Happy Divali to all our families who were celebrating recently.

This week we have started **Anti-Bullying Fortnight**. The children watched performances of The Power of One – a play that shows the importance of 'upstanders' instead of bystanders. We will continue to work on this theme as we help children to understand what bullying is (again and again, on purpose, to make someone feel bad), what bullying *isn't*, and what we can do to stop it – TELL! School Council have been busy planning an event and a reminder to take home that they will give out next week.

Thank you to Mr Mark Smith from the Lawnswood Maths Department who spent the afternoon with Year 5 on Tuesday. He set up and led a fun (and at times challenging!) afternoon of maths puzzles and problems for the children to solve.

If it is a while since you last looked round school, please do join us for our **Open**

Morning next week and invite anyone else who would be interested in a tour led by our Y6 children.



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



Some lovely artwork from Clay Club and Y3/4 Celtic jewellery making. ←

DIARY DATES

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4th to 15th November	Anti-Bullying Fortnight
Monday 11th November	Bun Sale with donations by Y5 but available for all to buy
Fri 8th & Mon 11th November	The Cave drama work with Alive & Kicking, Year 4 8th Year 3 11th
Tuesday 12 th November	Open Morning 9:30 and Open Evening 6pm. All welcome!
Wednesday 13th November	Y1/Y2 trip to Waitrose for Food Glorious Food topic
Thursday 14th 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
Tuesday 19 th November	Internet Safety drama workshops for Y4, Y5 and Y6.
Wednesday 20th November	Winter Festival of Fire after school. All welcome!
Thursday 21st November	Parliament & democracy assembly and workshop for KS2
Tuesday 26 th November	Switch on of Headingly Christmas lights and carol singing. All welcome! Meet from
	5pm at St Michael's Church from 5pm. Singing from 5:15 and switch on at 6pm.
Thurs 28th November *	Y4 trip to 'Open Up Christmas' at South Parade
Wed 4th to Fri 6th 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 12th 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 19th 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 21st January	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children TBC
Thursday 23 rd January *	Y3 assembly to present poetry written with local poet, James Nash (afternoon)
Friday 24 th January	Year 2 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Monday 27 th January *	Y4 science workshop
Friday 31 st January	Geography Knowledge Day
Monday 3 rd February *	Y4 science workshop
Thursday 6 th February	Reception Class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Sunday 9th 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 11th- Fri 13th March	Lineham Farm residential for Year 4
Wednesday 18th March	Year 1 Class Assembly
Wednesday 18th March	Movie Night TBC
Thursday 19 th March	TRAINING DAY – school closed to children TBC
Tuesday 24 th March *	Y4 Piano Fantasia trip (as part of Leeds Piano Competition)
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 8th May	VE Day Bank Holiday (2020 only) SCHOOL CLOSED
11th to 14th May	KS2 SATs week
18th to 22nd May	Green Week including road safety
Thursday 21st May	Class and team photos
w/c Monday 1 st June	Bikeability for Y6. Get practising so you're ready!
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 10th 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 9th July	Y5/6 production performance in front of the school
Thursday 9th 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 14th July	Y3/4 Sports Day c.9am
Thursday 16th 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 sir	nce last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change

