



SHIRE OAK

C of E (VC) Primary School

Dear Parents and Carers

What a final week! Thank you so much for all your encouragement and support as children have navigated the various events, transitions and boiling hot days of this last week.

We were so proud of our children at their **Sports Days**. They all took part, tried hard and kept going all the way to the finishing line. All the children earned points for their house teams which were then added to the overall scores for the year and the **house team shield**.

This week we welcomed Steve Boothroyd from Leeds and Hunslet Schools Rugby League to a special celebration assembly. He presented us with the **Ben Bateson Trophy** in recognition of the way Shire Oak teams always play in a sporting manner (win or lose) and we always enter the full contact, tag, mixed and girls only events. He was joined by Leeds Rhinos player Alex Barnes. She presented our Year 6 players with special certificates and prizes to remember their contribution to our school rugby league team. All children from Year 3 upwards can take part in rugby training and then matches. Follow them on Twitter: @ShireOakRLFC

Year 4 have had a great end to the year. They entertained us on Wednesday with a skilled performance on their **djembe** drums. On Monday they were invited to take part in a special art project drawing and collecting rose petals for a special 'Leeds Sauce' project as part of **Leeds 2023**. They went to Headingley Hall and, although they couldn't

mix with the residents due to a



COVID outbreak, were great ambassadors for the school and did some lovely artwork.

Year 1 have also rounded off the year with some lovely arts and crafts. They were joined in class by artist Phill Hopkins, who helped them make some great wooden animals. **Year 2**

made a playground installation of some of their artwork which was enjoyed by visitors from all the other classes in school.



A cultural highlight of the year was the production of William Shakespeare's **The Tempest**. Year 6 took on the acting roles, the technical support, costumes and props and leading the chorus, but were ably assisted by excellent singing from Year 5. It really was a very accomplished production with humour, tragedy and hope all conveyed beautifully. Well done to all concerned and thank you to the staff team and Alex Chisholm for rehearsing and preparing them so well. We are hoping to share photos and videos on children's @shireoak.online accounts.



Year 6 have been marking the end of their time here at Shire Oak in a number of ways, including writing their names on **leaves** in the quadrangle and leading our **Leavers' Service** at St Michael's Church. They raised lots of money with their waffle and smoothies after school and were able to

pay for their ten-pin bowling trip, a pizza treat and even a donation to FOSOPS! They have been a lovely class and we wish them all the best for secondary school.

Class	Well done to these Reading Superstars who have been chosen by their teachers. They were chosen for various reasons, including range and quantity of books read, improvement, perseverance, etc.
YR (Thames)	Maisie and Ben
Y1 (Nile)	Woody and Fox
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	Alice S and Levi
Y3 (Rhine)	Arthur, Rafael, Etta, Ellie, Emma and Poppy
Y4 (Ganges)	Olo, Emma, Oliver and Clara
Y5 (Tigris)	Hugo, Frankie, Amirali, Olive, Dylan and Myla
Y6 (Amazon)	Rose, Evan, Luke, Coco and Edie E.
Well done to these children (and any others) who have achieved their next Maths Passport continent and are travelling on to the next one: Seth, Roberta, Jann, Achilles and Chloe.	
Well done to these children who received a Finalist's Letter from Wonder Day for taking part in their competition. They will have their work on display and the overall winners will be announced at the event: Jennifer, Jonas, Ethan, Jonah, Charlie, Mali, Jann, Jake, Jake J, Chloe, Annabelle, Kaiyo, Zak, Alek, Benji, Dotty, Myla, Erin, Frankie and Dylan.	
The team points from the year and all of those earned at Sports Days have been added together. It was incredibly close this year, which proves that every point counts! The final results are:	
1 st Leopards 3572 points	
↑HOUSE TEAM SHIELD WINNERS ↑	
2 nd Rhinos 3557 points	
3 rd Giraffes 3540 points	
4 th Elephants 3453 points	
5 th Lions 3439 points	

I hope you have a lovely summer holiday. It has been a pleasure to work together with you this year to help your children learn as much as possible whilst being kind, being safe and being their best. We look forward to seeing them again in September and hearing about their summer adventures and all the reading they have been doing!

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PS We are pleased to be hosting a **Summer School** for children from **Ukraine** this holiday. Although the booking deadline has passed, it may be worth asking if places are available if you know of school age children who would benefit from attending. The contact is wesley.wu@leeds.gov.uk

KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022



MORRISONS

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

ASDA CAFE

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

DUNELM

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the in-store cafe.

YO!

Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

HUNGRY HORSE

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

IKEA

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

BELLA ITALIA

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

DOBBIES

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

CAFE ROUGE

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

MORE TO COME!!

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.

DIARY DATES

25 th and 26 th July	TRAINING DAY school closed to children (some of this training may be disaggregated)
Wednesday 27 th July	Day given in lieu of the Platinum Jubilee which falls in the half term break in June
Saturday 30 th July	Wonder Day at Headingley HEART with exhibition of Y1 – Y5 competition entries https://www.heartcentre.org.uk/event/wonder-day/
SUMMER HOLIDAY. From the 25 th July Art Camp run holidays activities on our site. https://www.artcampuk.com/ If your child would benefit from summer holiday provision but there are barriers to attending, please see Mr Nash.	
Monday 5 th September *	TRAINING DAY. School closed to children
Tuesday 6 th September *	Children in Years 1 to 6 return to school at 8:50am. New Reception children start today, Wednesday or Thursday (check letter from school).
https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar term dates	