



Dear Parents and Carers

SHIRE OAK
C of E (VC) Primary School

Thank you to everyone who joined us for **Shire Oak Sunday** at St Michael's Church last weekend.



The congregation were very pleased that we were there; they enjoyed the new hymn we taught them and were very impressed with the public speaking skills of our children. A number of children enjoyed sitting in the choir, and if your child is interested in joining then they do welcome young choristers.



Thank you to the FOSOPS team for putting on the café at the end of the day on Friday last week. They raised a good amount of money for the **Leeds Heart Hospital Appeal** and it was good to see people enjoying a chat and a treat.

For many children the highlight of the week will have been the **House Team Hobby Half Day** held on Wednesday. The children worked in house team groups to learn to play the steel pans, take part in healthy heart PE activities, learn decoupage, weaving, board games and other arts and crafts. Thank you to all the staff and visitors who arranged such great things for the children to have a go at. The activities were all themed around our **values**, giving the children another opportunity to understand them (as they explained in church on Sunday.)

Reception Class – Sharing / Year 1 – Kindness / Year 2 – Love / Year 3 – Trust /
Year 4 – Respect / Year 5 – Forgiveness / Year 6 – Compassion.

Mr Marshall has declared this possibly the greatest week in the history of Shire Oak! Firstly, **Tim Peake liked our tweet** about the Year 5 science project (and how they use counting 1 Tim Peake, 2 Tim Peake, 3 Tim Peake, etc. as a unit for measuring time.) Secondly, despite being a physically bigger team **we beat Allerton Primary School 4-2 in the football match** after school yesterday. This means that we are through to the second round of the Falkingham Cup for the first time ever. The team may not have been deterred by the attempts to snow, but this photographer failed to lose the mittens long enough to get any action shots – my apologies. Thank you to Matthew for the attached report.

Class	Well done to this week's Superstars who have been chosen by the staff in their class.
YR (Thames)	Erin invites other children to play with her and Emily S is good at taking turns. They both share well.
Y1 (Nile)	Evan and Rose try to be kind and helpful to others.
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	Libby and Patrick show love by being kind, friendly and respectful.
Y3 (Rhine)	Hunter and Lia listen, learn and do their best. They always show the value trust.
Y4 (Ganges)	Arthur is respectful towards his peers, staff and school property. Erin conducts herself in a respectful manner.
Y5 (Tigris)	Callum and Poppy demonstrate our Shire Oak values and are a role model to others.
Y6 (Amazon)	Francesca and Aaisha always show compassion for other children and for adults in school.
Citizen of the Week was Hope in Year 1 who was nominated by Lily-Rose and Lydia because she tries her best in activities, the playground and out of school. Well done!	

Well done to **Reception Class** who impressed us with their very first class assembly this morning. They shared their learning beautifully with great hall voices. It was lovely to hear about and see all the ways they have been learning phonics, maths, yoga, art and all sorts of problem solving in the outside area. Thank you to everyone who came and supported them this morning.

Have a great half term.

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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 Hilary Whitehead.

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 Julia is often on the playground, particularly at the start and end of the week, if you would like to talk to her.)

DIARY DATES

Mon 13 th to Fri 17 th February	HALF TERM. School closed to children.
Monday 20 th February *	Year 5 trip to see 'Annie' production at Lawnswood High School
Wednesday 22 nd February	NSPCC assemblies
Thursday 23 rd February	Y4 Bun Sale morning break (children may bring up to 50p)
Monday 27 th February	Pizza Maths Club starts for Year 6 after school. 3:15-4:45pm on Mondays.
Tuesday 28 th February	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Day sale after school
Wednesday 1 st March	NSPCC Y5/6 workshops
Wed 1 st – Fri 3 rd March	Y4 Residential to Lineham Farm
Wednesday 8 th March	Stay and Play for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents/carers in their classrooms.
Friday 10 th March	Year 5 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Friday 17 th March	Holi Festival assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Saturday 18 th March	FOSOPS Car Boot Sale TBC
Thursday 23 rd March	Y3 Bun Sale morning break (children may bring up to 50p)
Thursday 30 th March	Easter production performance by Year 3 and Year 4.
(Friday 31 st March	Easter assembly in school – possibly Easter themed competition judging. No parents.)
Mon 3 rd to Mon 17 th April	EASTER HOLIDAY. School closed to children. Kidzone may run a playscheme.
Tuesday 18 th April	School re-opens after Easter
Thursday 20 th April	Stay and Play for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents/carers in their classrooms.
Saturday 22 nd April	FOSOPS Car Wash fundraising TBC
Wed 26 th and Thur 27 th April	Parents and Carers Consultation evenings (each family will get an appointment)
Thursday 27 th April	Y2 Bun Sale morning break (children may bring up to 50p)
Friday 28 th April	Year 4 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Monday 1 st May	BANK HOLIDAY. School closed.
Mon 8 th to Fri 12 th May	KS2 SATS week for Year 6
Friday 12 th May	Stay and Play for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents/carers in their classrooms.
Tuesday 16 th May	Year 1 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome! (Please note change of day)
Thursday 18 th May	Y1 Bun Sale morning break (children may bring up to 50p)
Saturday 20 th May	Spring Clean and BBQ TBC
Mon 22 nd to Fri 26 th May	Reading Week. This usually includes a book character dress up day.
Wednesday 24 th May	Year 2 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Mon 29 th May to Fri 2 nd June	HALF TERM. School closed to children. Kidzone may run a playscheme.
Saturday 10 th June	Headingley Youth Music Festival & Summer Fair 12-4pm. All children perform c.2pm.
Mon 12 th to Fri 16 th June	Multicultural Arts Week
Friday 16 th June	Year 3 class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Tuesday 20 th June	Movie Night, 5-7pm. TBC
Wednesday 21 st June	TRAINING DAY school closed to children
Friday 23 rd June	Stay and Play for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents/carers in their classrooms.
Wednesday 28 th June	Reception class assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Thursday 29 th June	Reception Class Bun Sale morning break (children may bring up to 50p)
Wed 28 th & Thursday 29 th June	Transition days for Ralph Thoresby High School
Friday 30 th June	Eid assembly, 9am in the hall. All welcome!
Wednesday 12 th July	Musicians end of year concert (pm)
Thursday 13 th July	Y6/5 dress rehearsal and evening performance of their production
Wednesday 19 th July	Sports Day Reception/Y1/Y2 in the morning. Y5 & Y6 in the afternoon. (if fine)
Thursday 20 th July	Sports Day Y3 & Y4 in the morning. (if fine)
Monday 24 th July	End of year parties/disco in the afternoon
Tuesday 25 th July	Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church, Headingley. All welcome. 10:30am.
Wednesday 26 th July	Last day of term
Thurs 27 th July to Fri 1 st Sept	SUMMER HOLIDAYS. School closed to children. Kidzone may run a playscheme.
* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change	

Shire Oak vs. Allerton

Report by Matthew (Y6)

It was a bleary day when Allerton finally rolled into Headingley. The rain was just starting when the game kicked off at 15:50 on the 9th of February, and both teams seemed evenly matched...

Shire Oak dominated the game from the off, producing a flurry of chances early on; Antony got his reward in the eighth minute. 1-0! A smooth move- involving nearly all the players- and six minutes later, two more goals were scored, one from each team. The home side appeared to be on top, but on the brink of half time, the visitors pulled one back to make it level pegging going into the break.

HT score: 2-2

Unlike the first 20 minutes, the second half started more evenly, with both teams creating chances, yet not quite finding the clinical touch. Eventually, however, Shire Oak's hard work paid off, Antony ending a well-worked move to complete a stunning hat-trick. At times after that, Allerton seemed like coming back into the game; a well-coordinated defence was needed to keep them out. With three minutes left, the action seemed to be over, but Theo created and finished a brilliant solo goal to put the game to bed.

FT score: 4-2

MOTM: Antony

Some Quotes:

"Without the crowd, we would have been nothing."- Marcus

"It was awesome!"- Theo

"Very proud of the boys to come back. First half, they played like Sunderland, letting two goals in. Second half, they played like absolute champions."- Mr Marshall, Head Coach

Squad: Y6: Marcus (1), Theo (9), Archie (5), Taal (11), Joey (14), Antony (7) Y5: Lewis (15), Frank (8) Y4: Noah (10), Tiago (4) Referee/Head Coach: Mr Marshall