



Dear Parents and Carers

SHIRE OAK
C of E (VC) Primary School

Another lovely busy week in school, even with a day off for pupils in the middle! Thank you to everyone who came to share our **Eid-al-Adha assembly** on Thursday where children shared learning about Islam and this festival and thought about the theme of sacrifice and journeys.



Our children tell us that they are keen to do what they can to slow climate change and protect the planet so we were pleased to be able to take part in the **Running out of Time** baton relay that is making its way from Ben Nevis in Scotland to Big Ben in London. This relay is being run, paddled and walked around the country to raise awareness of the need for action to cut emissions, restore nature and support those hardest hit by climate change.

Children from St Matthew's ran the baton to us with the ROT team and then we passed the baton via every child in school to then send it on the next stage of its journey.



Year 5 enjoyed a trip to the **water treatment plant in Headingley** this week. This trip is always a lot more interesting and entertaining than the children anticipate in advance so I am glad we can incorporate it into our topic learning. They had to walk very quickly to get back in time!

It has been a colourful day in school with children wearing what they wanted to wear. (Thank you very much for the tombola prize 'payment' for this special day.) Not having to wear uniform also helped our semi-finalists in the annual **Shire Oak's Got Talent** competition to wear their costumes of choice. Many children have been taking part in the lunchtime heats for SOGT and have been rehearsing with Miss Craven. This means that the quality is very high indeed! Well done to everyone who took part at any stage and well done to the performers this morning. The finalists will perform on stage next week at **Headingley Youth Music Festival** and you are in for a treat! Thank you also to everyone who responded to Monday's email with raffle prizes and offers of help – it is all very much appreciated! If you have a very visible window or know local places where we can put **posters** it would help us if you could take one/some and display them! (I will leave some in the entrance foyer or send us a message requesting them.) I have also attached the poster to this newsletter so you can share it (or our [Facebook page](#)) electronically in local groups that might be interested. Thank you so much. We will send out more information in advance of the festival, but it may be useful to know the following timings: (all performers to be ready in advance of this time please)

- Y4 – all playing their djembes at 12 noon
- Whole school – singing 'Off to See the World' at 13:55
- H&K Combined Schools band – 13:40
- Shire Oak's Got Talent finalists – 14:00



- Rock School – older children who participate during the festival will headline at 15:45
- Rattle and Hum – music-making for younger children at 13:30 and 15:00
- Storytelling – 12:15 and 15:00

Class	<p style="text-align: center;">Well done to these Superstars who have been chosen by staff who work with them. Year 6 monitors write down the comments on certificates as they are given out. (We have missed including these in the newsletter recently – our apologies!)</p>
YR (Thames)	<p>Emile always has great ideas and is a brilliant role model for the class. Willow L has been doing lots of independent story writing. Olivia has been working really hard in phonics and is becoming more independent. Evie has been so creative recently and make a wonderful glockenspiel! Asterios wrote a brilliant letter to our fairy, independently. Lillie is always keen to share her ideas on the carpet and always tries her best! Leah has really impressed with her amazing independent writing! Neiva has impressed with her lovely fluent reading and understanding.</p>
Y1 (Nile)	<p>Hope showed great resilience in her writing. Piotr is trying hard with his writing and wrote a great story. Elizabeth is a great role model and always tries her best. Kai participates well in sessions on the carpet. Gabriel is taking time in his writing and drawing and producing lovely, detailed work. Gino has enthusiasm and focus in science learning about animals. Connie always tries her best in everything. Josh challenges himself in everything he does.</p>
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	<p>Enys has worked hard on his maths and is now fantastic at arithmetic. Renee is always ready to learn in every lesson. Kayon is thinking hard about reading comprehension questions, giving careful answers. Bea is giving her best in every lesson and is always ready to learn. Bea is a very focused in spelling lessons and is using her GPC chart to help pick the correct spelling. Oscar is working very hard to improve his handwriting. Jacob always gives his best and thinks carefully about the answers he gives. Ava has worked hard to improve her handwriting and presentation of her written work.</p>
Y3 (Rhine)	<p>Shraddha for her focused attitude to learning. She always contributes to class discussions. Ollie was thoughtful and constructive in helping his group complete their science task. Fox has brought a positive attitude to his learning throughout Y3 so far. Jonah has worked so hard across all subjects in Y2 so far. Noah and Joho were enthusiastic pneumatic engineers when constructing their volcanoes. Ethan is always working hard to present his work neatly. Clem engaged enthusiastically with Science Week and made useful connections between ideas. Jann has practised and learned all of his lines for the school production and is using a fantastic hall voice. Finlay gets involved in class discussions in all lessons and is very hard working with a fantastic attitude for learning. Maisie is a superstar because of her growth mindset attitude to her learning this week. She has challenged herself and succeeded. Jonas for his brilliant work and listening skills in maths this week. Eleanor is thinking carefully about historical evidence and explaining her ideas clearly and intelligently. Michael is continuing to impress and inspire his classmates with his understanding of his reading and thinking of evidence with explanations.</p>
Y4 (Ganges)	<p>Were all superstars at Lineham Farm. Mali always works extremely hard, is focused and perseveres when things are tricky. Bram is a kind and considerate member of Y4 and will help anyone who needs it. Elliot is making some absolutely fantastic contributions to class discussions in maths. Dylan has a focused and productive mindset in all lessons and is a brilliant Shire Oak learner. Rohan is focusing well in lessons and <i>always</i> perseveres when faced with a challenge. Rudy has shown a fantastic attitude towards his own learning in maths and his hard work and effort is really showing! Tomos has been a good role model for his classmates in djembe. Levi for showing focus and determination in his reading. Joseph for always focusing and demonstrating perseverance in reading sessions. Otis for his improved dedication to producing the best writing he can.</p>
Y5 (Tigris)	<p>Arthur did a great job holding 7 billion people in our science demonstration. Sasha has been using her creativity well in art lessons. Amber is working very well on all aspects of the English language. Dillon consistently pushes himself by completing challenge questions in maths. Chloe regularly makes insightful contributions in class discussions. Atticus – his enthusiasm for science was clearly evident during Science Week. Etta has written a comprehensive set of instructions for a Victoria sponge cake. Kai is developing his resilience to deal with comprehension questions. Raajan is making great progress with his sewing skills. Emma has increased the size of her handwriting to help the reader. Josh has been encouraging his team mates in PE lessons. Annabelle has given thought to the content and design of her promotional piece of writing. Ellie – her enthusiasm for playing the steel pans shines through! Chloe always brings her A game to all subjects. Ella takes pride in the presentation of her work. Amelie -her positive personality helps others.</p>

Y6 (Amazon) **Hannah** is becoming increasingly more independent at improving her work. **Alek** is showing dedication to his work and desire to improve. **Clara** is determined to work independently during class tasks. **Teddy** is contributing more in class and displaying a grand attitude to his learning. **Emily** is choosing adventurous vocabulary to improve her writing. **Betty** is putting good effort into her writing. **Dotty** and **Dylan** did an excellent job running the Y6 stall at the science fair. **Patch** his work in maths is outstanding right now! **Noah** is putting in extra work at home. **Odysseus** gave an outstanding audition for the end of year production. **Nelson** wrote a strong explanation of coastal erosion this week. **Emma** is using sensible methods to help work through her maths project. **Teddy** has an excellent long jump technique.

Citizen of the Week was. **Cora** (following the school rules, helping sort out arguments, kind and respectful – never rude.) **Stan** (always helping people and will find a way for people to sort out their differences.) **Alice H** (always polite and uses the school values to be her best.)

Have a lovely weekend.

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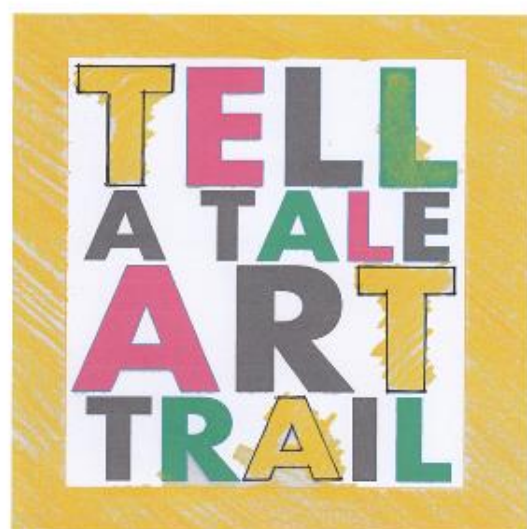
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DIARY DATES

Wednesday 19 th June	Y3 Egyptian historical artefacts session
Wednesday 19 th June	Madhatter's Tea Party school picnic and bonfire TBC
Thursday 20 th June	New Reception parents/carers meeting (am and evening)
Friday 21 st June	Y5 trip to the recycling plant
Saturday 22 nd June	Headingley Youth Music Festival 12-4pm. This is our gift to the community and also our summer fair. All children in school are in our choir that performs, as do Y4 djembe players and other musicians. (Please avoid booking parties today!)
Tuesday 25 th June	* Y1 and Y6 trip to Filey and surrounding area
Thursday 27 th June	* Y6 tag rugby match at All Saints Primary, Richmond Hill after school
Friday 28 th June	Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am in the hall. All friends and family of Y3 welcome!
Wednesday 3 rd July	Transition day (children meeting their new teachers and visiting new classrooms)
Thursday 4 th July	Music Recital am. All welcome!
Friday 5 th July	KS2 webinar with Laura Ellen Anderson to launch the summer reading challenge.
Monday 8th July	Y5/6 Girls' Tag Final stages (at Headingley) 1-3pm NEW DATE
Tuesday 9 th July	Paris Olympics Day at Guiseley – group from Y4
Wednesday 10 th July	* Summer reading challenge assembly with Headingley Library
Monday 15 th July	YR Y1 Y2 Sports Day am Y3 Y4 Sports Day pm (reserve date 18 th TBC)
Tuesday 16 th July	Y5 Y6 Sports Day pm (reserve date 19 th)
Wednesday 17 th July	* Wheatfields brunch summer garden launch
Wednesday 17 th July	Y5/6 production to rest of school
Wednesday 17 th July	* Summer festival vibes grab bag lunch
Thursday 18 th July	* Playground funding sub-group 3:30pm (interested parties welcome)
Thursday 18 th July	Y5/6 production to friends and family, all welcome! (evening)
Friday 19 th July	* Y6 transition to secondary road safety day (planning and walking local routes)
Monday 22 nd July	Leavers' Service at St Michael's Church, 10:30am. All welcome!
Tuesday 23 rd July	Y6 Leavers' trip
SUMMER HOLIDAY. Art Camp are running a playscheme on our site during the holidays. https://artcampuk.com/	
TERM DATES: https://www.leeds.gov.uk/residents/children-families-and-carers/schools-and-learning/school-calendar	

* means added or changed since last newsletter TBC means this is yet to be confirmed and may have to change.



OPEN AIR ART EXHIBITION

Fri 14th - Sun 16th JUNE

Opening night Friday 6pm

Children's activities

2-4pm Sat 15th

Silver Sparrows
Steel Band
and Bar

RUNS ALL WEEKEND

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