



Dear Parents and Carers

SHIRE OAK

C of E (VC) Primary School

Well done to everyone who had **homework** to share in our special assembly on Tuesday. There were models, recounts, PowerPoint presentations, pop videos, songs, cakes, leaflets, booklets and drawings. It was so good to see the thought that had gone into developing their ideas, the evidence of them talking to and working with adults at home on their homework and the stamina that had gone into completing many of the projects brought in. Daily reading and practising Maths Passport targets remain our most important homework priorities, but it is great to see the learning that children do and demonstrate when given the half-termly tasks as well. This half term's tasks are all linked to geography as we prepare for a special theme day later on. The next homework leaflet after this one will feature a PE/physical challenge.



Well done to Year 3 who raised £45.63 in their **bus sale** yesterday. Thank you to the parents and carers who helped by making/donating cakes for them to sell – it is all good practice handling money and improving their maths.

It was lovely to see so many of you this week at the **Parents and Carers Consultation Evenings**. I hope you found the conversations useful and that your children have been keen to hear about their successes and areas to work on. If you were unable to attend this week, please make sure you see the class teacher to arrange another time.

Thank you to Y5 for their **class assembly** this morning. They have clearly enjoyed their topic Pyramid People and learning about the Ancient Egyptians and Mayan culture. They seem to particularly like the gruesome bits and we enjoyed their presentation.

Have a great weekend.

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PS I hope you saw the letter about now being able to accept **online payments** (as well as standing orders to pay regular amounts). Please ask the office for details.

WOODCRAFT FOLK IS GROWING

Play Out with Woodcraft Folk!



All ages welcome for craft, den building and co-operative games

- Saturday 5 March 1.30-3.30pm Potternewton Park
- Sunday 6 March 1.30-3.30pm Beckett Park
- Saturday 12 March 1.30-3.30pm Potternewton Park
- Sunday 13 March 1.30-3.30pm Kirkstall Abbey
- Saturday 19 March 1.30-3.30pm Potternewton Park
- Sunday 20 March 1.30-3.30pm Meanwood Park

No need to book - just turn up! Find us by these playgrounds (unless it rains hard)

Find out about weekly groups for Woodchips (2 - 6), Elfins (6 - 9) and Pioneers (9 - 12) via the details below

Find out more

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woodcraft.org.uk/where

Leeds Woodcraft Folk

@yorkswoodcraft

Woodcraft Folk develops children's self confidence and awareness of the world, encouraging equality, friendship and co-operation.

Weekly groups, weekend trips and summer camps aim to be affordable and open to all.

Outdoor activities, crafts, songs and games promote big ideas like sustainability and democracy.

| DIARY DATES | | |
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| Tuesday 8 th March | * | Year 1 hearing tests by school nurses |
| Wednesday 9 th March | * | Special basketball assembly |
| Wednesday 9 th March | * | Reception height and weight checks by school nurses |
| Thursday 10 th March | | Football Match Weetwood v Shire Oak - played at Lawnswood School - KO. 3.45 |
| Friday 11 th March | | Stay and Play, 8:50am in Rec/Y1 & Y2. Parents and Carers welcome. |
| Saturday 12 th March | * | FOSOPS Woodland Walk – all welcome FOSOPS needs more volunteers to be able to run events like this. Unfortunately it has been cancelled. |
| Thursday 17 th March | | Geography Day |
| Wednesday 23 rd March | | Easter Production by Years 3 and 4. All welcome. |
| Wednesday 23 rd March | | Movie Night |
| Thursday 24 th March | | TRAINING DAY – confirmed |
| Fri 25 th & Mon 28 th March | | Good Friday and Easter Monday. School closed. |
| 30 th March – 1 st April | | Year 4 Residential to Bewerley Park |
| 4 th – 15 th April | | EASTER HOLIDAY. Kidzone may run a playscheme. |
| Mon 25 th to Fri 29 th April | * | Our Reading Week. This will include a dress up day (characters from books) on Tuesday 26 th . |
| Thursday 28 th April | * | Bun sale at morning break, run by Year 2 |
| Friday 29 th April | | Year 2 Class Assembly, 9am. Friends and family welcome. |
| Monday 2 nd May | | BANK HOLIDAY. School closed. |
| 9 th to 13 th May | | KS2 SATS week |
| Friday 13 th May | | Stay and Play, 8:50am in Rec/Y1 & Y2. Parents and Carers welcome. |
| Wednesday 18 th May | | Year 1 Class Assembly, 9am. Friends and family welcome. |
| Wednesday 18 th May | | House Team Hobby Half Day |
| Thursday 19 th May | * | Bun sale at morning break, 30p, run by Year 1 |
| Friday 27 th May | | Non uniform day – please bring a tombola prize for HYMusicFest instead money |
| 30 th May – 3 rd June | | HALF TERM BREAK. Kidzone may run a holiday playscheme. |
| Friday 10 th June | | Year 4 Class Assembly, 9am. Friends and family welcome. |
| Saturday 11 th June | | Headingley Youth Music Festival (our community music festival & summer fair) |
| Friday 17 th June | | Stay and Play, 8:50am in Rec/Y1 & Y2. Parents and Carers welcome. |
| Wednesday 22 nd June | | TRAINING DAY –TBC Assessment and report writing. |
| Friday 24 th June | | Reception Class Assembly, 9am. Friends and family welcome. |
| Wednesday 29 th June | | Class photograph day – clean, smart uniform please! |
| Thursday 30 th June | * | New date for Year 3 Class Assembly, 9am. Friends and family welcome. |
| Friday 1 st July | | Bun sale at morning break, 30p, run by Reception Class |
| Thursday 7 th July | | Stay and Play, 8:50am in Rec/Y1 & Y2. Parents and Carers welcome. |
| Friday 8 th July | | Eid Assembly, 9am, whole school. All welcome. |
| Friday 8 th July | * | FOSOPS Toy Exchange and afternoon tea – to be confirmed |
| Wed 13 th & Thurs 14 th July | | Year 6 production, supported by Year 5. |
| 18 th to 22 nd July | | Sport for Life Week |
| Mon 18 th & Tues 19 th July | | Bikeability training for Year 6 |
| Thursday 21 st July | | End of year concert, 1:30pm. TBC |
| Tuesday 26 th July | | Leavers' Service, 10:30am, St Michael's Church. All welcome. |
| Wed 1 st – Fri 3 rd March 2017 | * | Y4 Residential to Lineham Farm TBC |

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

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.)