



Dear Parents and Carers

What a busy fortnight! Apologies that there was no newsletter last week – as you can imagine, the writing and production of 210 reports is quite an undertaking. I hope that you found your **child's report** useful and that you have shared it with them. The targets and advice are particularly important to share in advance of them going to their next year group. On Wednesday after school there will be the opportunity to talk to your child's teacher(s) about the report to ask for clarification, discuss any issues it may have brought up and to think about ways to continue helping your child over the summer break. We do not give out appointment slots at this last **parents' evening** but do them as a drop-in from the end of the day (or as soon as the teachers have managed to grab a coffee). It is useful if you mention to the teacher(s) that you are intending to come so that they know who to look out for and to help them manage the queue, should there be one.

We know that some parents have been missing the information about attainment on the termly report cards this year and we intend to use the same system of reporting attainment during the year next year:

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ARE stands for Age Related Expectations and is in line with the new national curriculum and raised national expectations for assessment at the end of Year 2 and Year 6.

Miss Abi Readman has asked me to thank you all for your co-operation with **after school clubs** this year. All have now finished (except rugby, which will continue until the final Tuesday). All the clubs were full this year, but Abi has kept a list of all the children who missed out to make sure they are given first consideration next year.

Mrs Sue Bennett has asked me to include a final plea for **Sainsbury's vouchers**. We have to send them off before the end of term so please send them in to school if you have any more still in your purses and wallets!

She has also asked me to let you know that our **Sports Days** are scheduled for next week. Children may wear a t-shirt in their house team colour. These are:

Lions – yellow **Rhinos – red** **Elephants – blue** **Giraffes – green** **Leopards – white**

If children don't have an appropriate top in their house team colour, they should wear their usual PE top and will be given a coloured band. Parents and carers are very welcome to join us for sports days. We ask though that you stay to the spectator areas.

I am pleased to tell you that as there were no other nominations, Julia Kelly is re-elected as a **parent governor**. It was great that there was interest in supporting the work of the governors, albeit not standing in an election against our current chair. I am therefore delighted that Antonia (James Nicholls in Y2's mum) will be joining as a co-opted associate governor in the autumn.

At the start of July Shire Oak played in our first ever **girls only rugby tackling tournament** hosted by Leeds Rhinos' England international Lois Forsell. Most of the other 6 teams were Y6s but our Y5s were so enthusiastic, they played all the matches this time. It was a great learning experience and with each game, they improved in both their basic skills and in terms of their game awareness. They set themselves the challenge of scoring a try against the best team (Woodlesford, who eventually won the tournament) and after some brilliant passing around the team to keep the ball alive, Naomi burst through to score. A great afternoon.





On Friday 30th June we played in the **Headingley Cup football tournament**. We came a close second in the tournament following convincing wins against Beecroft and Weetwood, with draws against Spring Bank, Brudenell and Weetwood. Lewis scored an amazing overhead kick and got a medal for the 'goal of the tournament.' Mr Marshall was very proud!

Hilary Whitehead, our long-serving Learning Mentor, is retiring at the end of this term. She is a very hard act to follow, and as yet we have not found the right person to take up the position. We are making arrangements to cover a lot of the work she does and will let you know as soon as we have a replacement. I know that many of you would like to say goodbye to her as she has supported many generations of Headingley families. She doesn't want a fuss but would be happy to see people on the playground before school. We will mark the occasion at the Leavers' Service on the last Tuesday morning of term.

Thank you to Dani, Lucas in Y2's mum. She came to talk to Year 3&4 as part of their Extreme Earth topic. They are learning about volcanoes and she told them about life in Ecuador, living in the shade of volcanoes and sweeping up volcanic ash in the morning. They will, unfortunately, be returning home soon so the next time we do that topic perhaps we can have a live Skype session to Ecuador?! (I have already turned down the request for a school trip there...)

Thank you to Eden Ballantyne who came to a recent assembly to tell the children about opportunities for joining **Woodcraft** groups in the local area. Find out more at the end of the newsletter. Activities cost £20 per term (or whatever you can afford). Get in touch with local groups to arrange a free taster session:

Woodchips (age 2-6)

Thu 4-5, Meanwood Institute/ Meanwood Park, Green Rd, LS6 4LD (northleedswoodchips@yahoo.com 07837748757)

Sat 2-3.30 (fortnightly), Beckett Park, LS6 3PW (headingleywoodchips@gmail.com 07791 504302)

Elfins (age 6-9) and Pioneers (age 9-12)

Mon 6.15-7.30, Meanwood Community Centre, Stainbeck Ave, LS7 2QU (meanwoodvalley.woodcraft@gmail.com 0113 2783120)

Thu 6-7.15, Shire Oak School (shireoak.woodcraft@gmail.com 07970 348472)

Thank you to Joelle Braithwaite (ably assisted by Marcus in Y6) for coming to assembly this week to demonstrate **brass instruments** and entertain us with familiar and new music. She is very keen to make sure that families know that brass instruments like the trumpet, trombone and cornet are available as music lessons. Although we have already sent out letters about music lessons for 2017-2018 there are spaces for brass so please get in touch with Susan Koyuncu in the office if you would like to find out more about your child having lessons.



We enjoyed more music this week as the children who learn instruments were invited to take part in our **end of term recital**. Watched by the whole school and some proud parents, over 30 children played solos, duets, trios and even in quartet with accompanying singer. They had practised hard and were very brave to perform in front of everyone. Thank you to Mrs Koyuncu for organising them and to the YMES teachers who have been teaching them all year.



Year 5 and Year 6 entertained us further this week with their production of **Time Lord**. Not at all based on Doctor Who (!) they travelled through time, battling dinopods and meeting famous figures from a demure Florence Nightingale to a not at all demure Boudicca. We were treated to great

acting, enthusiastic singing, brave understudies, funny scenes and a full range of props, costumes, sounds, lights and special effects. Thank you to all the staff who spent time helping them to prepare, to the audience who came to see them (after

bringing them back for the evening performance) and to the children for pulling out all the stops at the last minute!



It seems a long time ago now that Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed their day trip to **Filey**. They enjoyed playing on (and in!) the sand, eating their lunch on the beach, an ice cream treat and, of course, a very splashy paddle in the sea. The children were all very well behaved and played beautifully. Thank you to the staff for organising the trip.

I have been asked by local residents in the flats opposite school to remind you that theirs is a private road and **no parking** is allowed. They have been particularly worried about some parking that prevents ambulances getting to the flats as there are a number of elderly and unwell people living there. They have also been troubled that when they have pointed out the issue to people parking there they have not always been answered reasonably. I know that it is congested round school in the morning and there are lots of areas to avoid but please make sure that as a school community our children only see us trying to be considerate and polite so that they learn the same manners. Thank you!

Class	Apologies to all these SuperStars of recent weeks who have not had a mention in the newsletter! Well done for being chosen by the adults who work with you.					
YR (Thames)	Dylan Manraaj Lyle	Emily M Morgan	Erin W Kaira	Molly Bella M	Charlie All Reception	April Kai
Y1 (Nile)	Abdullah Asa	Rose Flo	Edie E Edie B	Franklin Micah	Asa Joe	Sam
Y2 (Aruvi Aru)	Greyson Jesse	Lucas Dilraaj	Ferd Libby	Fred Jayden	Rylan Eva	Leilani
Y3 (Rhine)	Sam Lia	Marcus Peter	Deney Mayah	Hannah Tula	Erin Hunter	Elsie Emaya
Y4 (Ganges)	Ava Erin Lydia	Elijah Layton Rosie	Irish Thomas Owen	Seren Alex Kyarna	Logan Stan Maddison	Reece Noah
Y5 (Tigris)	Simeon Mia	Natalie Lucas W	Lily Lewis	Frank Melita	Noah Lukas H	Jordan Evelyn

	Hewey	Cristina	Cherish	Ibrahim		
Y6 (Amazon)	Katie Rean Alim	Freddie Lola Taal	All of Y6 Elijah Lola	Millie Kyle	Niamh Theo	Noah Matthew

Well done also to these **Citizens of the Week** who also deserve a mention for being nominated by children (or occasionally adults) in our school community. Well done! **Molly, Ruby, Noah D, Tiago, Matthew, Mia, Morgan Th and Sophie.**

I am looking forward to the last week and a half of school. I hope to see many of you at our Sports Days next week. Have a great weekend.

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DIARY DATES

Mon 17 th – Wed 19 th July	Bikeability for Y6. They will be able to borrow bikes and helmets if necessary. We want as many children as possible to access the training and award.
Tuesday 18 th July	Suitcase Circus performing for school
Wednesday 19 th July	Sports Day Reception/Y1/Y2 in the morning.
Thursday 20 th July	Sports Day Y3 & Y4 in the morning. (if fine) Y5/6 Sports Day will be in the afternoon (if fine). This is a change to the previously published date.
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.
Monday 4 th September	* TRAINING DAY school closed to children
Tuesday 5 th September	* First day of term. (10 youngest Reception class start today – morning only)
Wednesday 6 th September	* Next 10 Reception class children start today – morning only
Thursday 7 th September	* Final group of Reception class children start today – morning only
Friday 8 th September	* Reception Class stay for lunch for the first time. Parents/carers may join them if they wish.
Thursday 14 th September	Judo workshops
Friday 20 th October	* TRAINING DAY school closed to children TBC
Thursday 23rd November	* TRAINING DAY school closed to children THIS WILL BE RESCHEDULED
Tuesday 2 nd January	* TRAINING DAY school closed to children
Wednesday 20 th June	* TRAINING DAY school closed to children



Summer Holiday

Stay & Play

Every Monday 1:00pm - 2:30pm



31st July – Messy play

7th August – Teddy Bears Picnic

14th August – Beside the Seaside

21st August – We're Going on a Bear Hunt...



Suitable for 0-5 year olds
50p per child (under 1's free)

No need to book, just turn up on the day!

Headingley Children's Centre, c/o Shire Oak Primary School, Wood Lane, Headingley, LS6 2DT
Telephone: 0113 278 7766

FRIENDS OF BECKETT PARK BAND CONCERT and PICNIC



SUNDAY 16 JULY 2017

CAKE STALL

1.00 – 5.00

TOMBOLA

BATCLIFFE DRIVE (BETWEEN SKATE PARK AND THE GATES)

BASSA BASSA PLAYING FROM 2.30-4.30



BRING A RUG AND A PICNIC

COLD
DRINKS

EVERYONE
IS
WELCOME!

CHILDRENS'
ACTIVITIES
from 1.00



Woodcraft Folk is a national charity run by volunteers.

It aims to develop young people'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.

We have five age groups

Woodchips: under 6

Elfins: 6-9

Pioneers: 10-12

Venturers: 13-15

DFs: 16-20

DFs run their own peer-led activities as well as helping with the younger groups.

Co-operative groups

for children

and young people

how to get involved

Go to www.woodcraft.org.uk and add: /where to find your nearest group and local contact details

/join to become an adult member

/resources/national-volunteer-guide to find out about flexible volunteering

/ngp for advice on starting a new group



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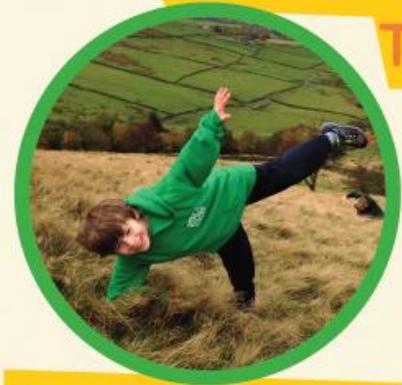


Woodcraft Folk



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WELCOME TO



WOODCRAFT FOLK

Get involved and join in the fun



Registered charity in England & Wales (1148195) and in Scotland (SC039791). Registered in England & Wales Company No. 8133727



What do groups get up to?



Weekly activities last 1-2 hours, and cost up to £2.

Energetic outdoor and indoor games

Art and crafts

Night walks

Discussion activities about social issues

Exploring nature

Camp fire songs and toasting marshmallows

Social action projects from community events to campaigning

What makes Woodcraft Folk different?

Young people grow in confidence, learn about the world and start to understand how to value our planet and each other.

Introducing Woodcraft Folk values

- Fun activities make big ideas accessible.
- No-one has to be the best, the fastest or the smartest.
- Our games focus on fun, not winning.

Something for everyone

- Activities vary to suit the group.
- Groups learn together and make friends.
- Young people challenge and stretch themselves.

Groups run co-operatively

- Volunteers work together in a democratic way.
- Young people help plan, organise and lead at their level.
- All ages share cooking and help collect firewood at camp.



Parents and carers can help out!



All groups need people who can...

Offer admin skills

Plan a walk

Do the food shopping for a trip

Share a favourite game

Co-ordinate volunteers

