



Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

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Sports Day

We look forward to welcoming all our parents and extended family members in to school on Monday morning for what promises to be a glorious day, weather wise. As previously stated, the new format is very much in full swing and we look forward to showcasing the activities to you all on Monday. Please be patient with the children as they move through the activity stations but please remember that you will need to send your child with a drinks bottle as you will be unable to buy refreshments for your children on the day as these will only be available to adults. Please also remember that they must have their PE kit in school, a white T Shirt (or Polo shirt) and dark shorts to wear whilst taking part. Please can I suggest that you apply sun cream prior to the event and send your child with a hat or cap as it will be warm!

Year 2 Class Assembly

We were treated to the Year 2 class assembly for parents this week and once again it was a real joy to learn more about what the children have been focusing their attention on in class over the past few weeks. I was very concerned by the title of "sinister" being used to describe my role in school and Mr Gordon has been sternly spoken too!!! The children shared their experiences of space, our solar system and also the fabulous homework projects that the children created. Do visit our school Twitter account or website to see my photographs of the homework and the assembly itself. Well done Year 2!

Father's Day



Once again, it was a real treat inviting our dads and grandads into school for the Father's Day lunches this week. It was wonderful to see the smiles and warm greetings that the children gave family members as they met them in the entrance hall of the school. A big thank you to all those who came along to enjoy the lunchtime experience.



Reception Forest School's Day

Wow!! What an excellent day had by all and even the sunshine made an appearance. We were greeted by explorer bear who had a fun packed day planned for the children and the grownups too. The children took part in many activities including making stick men, wooden pendant necklaces, building nests and exploring the woodland area with a nature trail. Toasting marshmallows was a highlight of the day along with the staff seeing such happy and contented children exploring the great outdoors!



School Library Competition.

As many of you are now well aware, the new Key Stage 2 library has been created and we are now busy trying to fill it with a wide range of books. However, Patryk B, in Y4, has discovered a fantastic competition for us all to enter and even suggested that I include it on this week's newsletter. Therefore, if you click on the following link: <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools#.WUJVI711rq8> or easier still, Google 'Caboodle library competition, then all you need to do is register and include Shobnall school as the chosen provider. I have included a link also on the school Twitter account. Many thanks in advance and a huge thank you to Patryk for his research. Fingers crossed!

Summer Reading Challenge 2017

Every year, thousands of families all over the country take part in the UK's biggest reading event for children in libraries, the Summer Reading Challenge, run by the charity **The Reading Agency**. The aim of the challenge is to get children to read any six books of their choice from their library during the summer holidays. Every year there's a different theme; this year it's Animal Agents, illustrated by the UK's best-selling children's illustrator Tony Ross. The Summer Reading Challenge is aimed at children aged four to eleven. It is run in almost all libraries in the UK and it is completely free. Go to your local library during the summer holidays – the sooner you go the longer your child will have to read six books. Staff will enroll your child and give them some fun materials to get them started on the challenge!

East Staffs Cricket Tournament

On Wednesday, 8 of our Year 4, 5 and 6 boys took part in the East Staffs Kwik Cricket Tournament at Rolleston Cricket Club. The tournament saw 12 different schools competing to represent the county in the National Finals. The children did wonderfully and only narrowly missed out on a place in the semi-finals. Some brilliant cricketing skills were on show and the children displayed that they were able to use the new skills that they had acquired at the cricket after school club. Well done to all of the children involved and thank you for representing the school so well with your outstanding behaviour and sportsmanship.

Girls Cricket Tournament

Well done to the Year 5 and 6 girls that took part in East Staffs Girls cricket tournament at Dunstall Cricket club. The girls beat Anglesey Primary School and Christchurch Primary School to go through to the semi-finals to face Oldfield's middle school. The girls narrowly missed out on going through to the finals by only a few points, but did manage to get Bronze medals for coming in third place out of the whole tournament which will be celebrated in our congratulations assembly today.



Recommended Reads

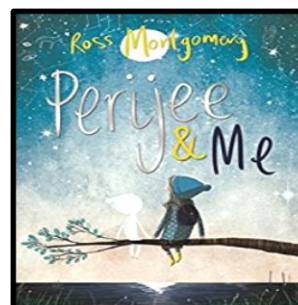
With the newly refurbished library here at Shobnall nearly ready for opening, to promote reading we thought it might be an idea to recommend some books that may take the children's fancy from new and up and coming authors. This week's recommended read is for children 8 and above...

Perijee and Me

Written by Ross Montgomery

Published by Faber & Faber

When 11 year old Caitlin discovers a shrimp-like alien creature on the shores of her island home, she takes responsibility for teaching it about the world. There's only one problem – Perijee won't stop growing, Filled with wonder, joy and adventure, Perijee and Me is a surreal and beautiful modern classic.




Let us know what you think...

Talent Show Winners

Early Years/Key Stage 1	First	Evie W
	Second	Amy R
	Third	Chaanakya S
Key Stage 2	First	Reece McG
	Second	Zaki A
	Third	Patryk B

Lunchtime Star Awards

Reception	Amy R	
Year 1	Alys J	
Year 2	Saffa N	
Year 3	Joseph B	
Year 4	Izaak T	
Year 5	Brooke H	
Year 6	Safa H	

Diary Dates/Events	Date and Time
9.30 am Sports Morning	Monday 19 th June 2017 (Wednesday 21 st June 2017 reserve date)
School Music Share Concert, Hill Street Baptist Church, Swadlincote, Mr Mansfield 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat'	Tuesday 20 th June 2017, 7.00 pm
New Nursery starters Induction Afternoon (1 st Half)	Monday 26 th June 2017
3.30 pm Eid Celebration Food Sale	Tuesday 27 th June 2017
Year 1 Assembly for Parents	9.15 am 27 th June 2017
New Reception starters Induction Afternoon Session 1	Wednesday 28 th June 2017
EYFS Educational Visit to Twycross Zoo	Friday 30 th June 2017
New Nursery starters Induction Afternoon (2 nd Half)	Monday 3 rd July 2017
New Reception starters Induction Afternoon Session 2	Tuesday 4 th July 2017
D & T, Mr S Blood to work with Year 5	Wednesday 5 th July 2017
3.45 pm Transition Meeting for parents for children going into Year 3 in September 2017	Wednesday 5 th July 2017
3.00 pm Reception transition pm meeting for parents for children leaving EYFS to move up to Key Stage One	Thursday 6 th July 2017
D & T, Mr S Blood, children of Year 5 working on D & T Bus all day	Thursday 6 th July 2017
Year 6 Enterprise Fair for Pupils only	Monday 17 th July 2017
Year 6 Leaver's Disco	Friday 21 st July 2017
Year 6 Final Assembly	Monday 24 th July 2017
Year 6 Special Leaver's Lunch	Monday 24 th July 2017

Please see attached School Term and Holiday Dates for 2017 – 2018

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL EDUCATION SERVICES
SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES 2017/2018

AUTUMN TERM 2017	
Monday 4th September, 2017	School closed to pupils Inset Day No. 1
Tuesday 5 th September, 2017	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
Thursday 19 th October, 2017	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Friday 20th October, 2017	School closed to pupils Inset Day No. 2
Monday 23rd October, 2017 – Friday 27th October 2017 – SCHOOL CLOSED	
Monday 30 th October 2017	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
Tuesday 19 th December 2017	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 20th December, 2017 – Tuesday, 2nd January, 2018 – SCHOOL CLOSED	
SPRING TERM 2018	
Tuesday 3 rd January 2018	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
Friday 16 th February, 2018	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Monday, 19th February, 2018 – Friday, 23rd February, 2018 – SCHOOL CLOSED	
Monday 26th February, 2018	School closed to pupils Inset Day No. 3
Tuesday 27 th February, 2018	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
Thursday 29 th March 2018	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Friday 30th March 2018 – Wednesday 11th April 2018 – SCHOOL CLOSED	
SUMMER TERM 2018:	
Thursday 12 th April 2017	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
Thursday 3 rd May 2018	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Friday 4th May 2018	School closed to pupils Inset Day No. 4
Monday, 7th May, 2018 – SCHOOL CLOSED MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 8 th May 2018	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
KS2 SATS Test Week w/b Monday 15th May – 19th Friday May 2018 PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES ARE FIXED NATIONALLY AND ARE NONE NEGOTIABLE BY THE SCHOOL. IF YOUR CHILD MISSES A TEST DURING THESE WEEKS THEY CANNOT BE RETAKEN AT A LATER DATE.	
Friday 25 th May 2018	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Monday, 28th May, 2018 – Friday, 1st June, 2018 – SCHOOL CLOSED	
Monday 4th June 2018	School closed to pupils Inset Day No. 5
Tuesday, 5 th June 2018	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
Friday 20 th July, 2018	School closes to pupils 3.30 p.m.
Monday, 23rd July, 2018– Friday, 31st August 2018 – SCHOOL CLOSED	
Monday 3rd September, 2018	School closed to pupils Inset Day No. 1 for 2018-2018
Tuesday 4 th September, 2018	School opens to pupils 8.55 a.m.
SATS Test Week	Key Stage 2 SATS Tests 2019 for all pupils w/b Monday 13 th May – 17 th Friday May 2019 (To be confirmed)