



## Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

7<sup>th</sup> July 2017

As we move in to the final two full weeks of the school's academic year, the activities and events which have taken place this week show no signs of the school slowing down. We have been involved in yet more sporting events this week whilst more trips have taken place with still more planned. As the weather remains dry and warm, may I just take this opportunity of reminding all parents to send your child with a (named) sun hat and pre-applied sun cream each morning.

### Dove Valley Athletics

This week saw a number of children represent the school in the annual Dove Valley Athletics event held at Rykneld School, Branston. We were very fortunate to have a dry evening for the event and it proved a real success for all of our local schools. The children performed in a range of activities, from sack racing, sprinting, obstacle courses and the final drama of a relay race. The Shobnall team were absolutely fantastic and I'm sure many of them slept well after the event after many of the children performed in numerous events. We were fortunate to come away with a number of silver and bronze medals from the event although the elusive gold medal was not to be this year. Thank you for all of the parents and families who supported the school team which included: Y4 – Freya C, Amber W, Daisy T, Eve W, Lewis C, Ihsaan N, Ishaak M and Zakariyah H. Y5 – Kaydee B, Ava R, Isobel R, Bethia P, Jayden M, Callum K, Jake C and Rehan R. Y6 – Kynan G, Tallulah L, Safa H.

### Fun in the sun for the Reception children – Visit to Mrs Taylor's Garden

Mr and Mrs Taylor, once again invited our children into their garden for a wonderful morning of exploration and fun. The Reception children took along their teddies and enjoyed a picnic in the sun after exploring the vegetable plot, orchard and being fascinated by the chickens. There was plenty of time for wheelbarrow races around the garden before a refreshing cool off in the garden sprinkler...just what Mrs Farrington and Miss Walton needed after so much excitement!



## Year 5 D&T Man

Year 5 had an amazing time on the D and T Bus on Thursday! The children used their own designs to create a fantastic balloon powered boat. They were taught a variety of skills and were able to use a range of tools including a coping saw to cut out their design and glass paper to shape their piece of wood. The children very carefully sanded the wood to make it smooth and safe. They were then able to attach a tube and balloon and the boats were ready to race. A lot of fun was had when the children tried their boats on the water with Zaki, Charley and Bethia doing particularly well. Thanks to the D and T man for a great day!



## Annual Reports to Parents

It is that time of year once again where you will be receiving your child's report on Monday afternoon. Please can you ensure that you check your child's book bag for this very important document and can I ask that you all sign and return the slip enclosed as soon as possible. This is a very important slip which needs to be returned on time as we need a record that you have received the report. Each year, the school office spend literally hours, chasing up families for this reply slip and this is unfair as the office staff have a huge work load, especially at this time of year. Therefore, please can you look to return this slip as soon as is physically possible? Many thanks in anticipation of your support in this matter.

## School Tie

You will remember that I wrote to parents on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April and tweeted on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 17 regarding the introduction of the new school tie. In addition to this, a photograph of some of our children modelling the sample version was displayed on our school information board. At the time of writing, I am placing increasing pressure on the school supplier to ensure that these ties are available to purchase prior to the start of the school holidays. I have been assured that the ties will be available to purchase from either the school office or Clothing 4 Schools, on Anglesey Road before and during the summer break. Thank you for your patience in this matter and I will continue to chase up this item of uniform which the school council have designed and requested after consulting with the whole school.

## Staffordshire School Games Hockey Tournament 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Shobnall School went to Cannock Hockey Club as representatives of East Staffordshire, to play in the Staffordshire School Games.

The team, made up of mainly Year 5 children, came up against an all Year 6 team in the first game, Lichfield Cathedral School, the eventual winners of the tournament. Shobnall scored their first goal of the tournament through Liam C. For the next game Shobnall came out looking for a win and pushing forward, the plan came to fruition when Reece McG scored his first goal of the tournament. The second half saw more goals again through Reece, scoring two in quick succession to make the score 3 – 0 to Shobnall School.

Shobnall came out for the third game looking for a win and pushing forward through Jayden M, Liam C and Charlie F, working well in midfield and feeding Reece McG in attack. Willows School scored first but undeterred Shobnall kept to the game plan and again worked the ball forward and this time feeding Reece in the scoring area, where he made no mistake and equalized. Willows School scored again and Shobnall pushed for a second goal but it was not to be and although Willows scored a third goal it would have been more if not for the good defensive work of Zaki A, Ava R, Kaydee B and Jake C.

Shobnall knew that their last game of the tournament was going to be difficult – playing against a full team of Year 6 children who were very tall and strong. A change in player positions to try to give Shobnall a more secure defence saw Ava R and Kaydee B move from midfield into defence, supported by Zak C and Zaki A moving into midfield. Good tackling from all four of these players saw Shobnall having most of the play in the first half but just not quite being able to score a goal. The second half saw Chase Primary attacking more, having worked out the ‘Shobnall Game Plan’, pushing forward and scoring two goals.

The Shobnall team should be proud of their performance and attitude shown throughout the day.

### Head Teacher Assembly Awards

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| Reception | Zahra K      | Amy R      |
| Year 1    | Betsy W      | Alfie L    |
| Year 2    | Manayal S    | Millie K   |
| Year 3    | Anna-Rabia H | Ayaan M    |
| Year 4    | Ben D        | Aadam A    |
| Year 5    | Zaki A       | Bethia P   |
| Year 6    | Tallulah L   | Clarkson S |

### Lunchtime Star Awards

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| Reception | Luke W      |
| Year 1    | Amina K     |
| Year 2    | Rocco G     |
| Year 3    | Ethan-Lee C |
| Year 4    | Zoya K      |
| Year 5    | Saifya N    |
| Year 6    | Jude C      |



## Reading Corner

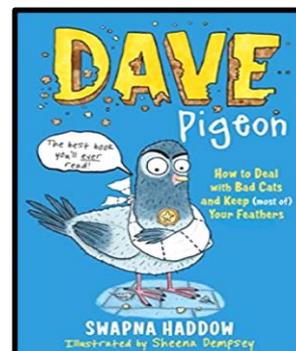
This week's recommended read is for children 6 – 7. Let us know what you think!

### Dave Pigeon

Written by Swapna Haddow

Published by Sheena Dempsey

Dave Pigeon, the brilliant pigeon mastermind, is determined to find and eat all your biscuits. Aided by Skipper, typing the story as it happens, Dave also aims to defeat his nemesis Mean Cat, even if it means changing his epic plans here and there. Children will laugh themselves silly at Dave, and the expressive illustrations complete a perfect funny book for younger readers.



### End of Summer Term 2017 – Dates for your diary

| Event  | Date and Time                       |
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| Nursery Induction for all children, 1.30 – 3.00 pm                 | Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2017   |
| Parents Reminder last day for handing in report slip               | Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2017   |
| Year 6 Enterprise Fair   | Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2017   |
| Year 6 Educational Visit to Warwick Castle                         | Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2017 |
| Year 6 Leaver's Disco  | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017   |
| Year 6 Final Assembly 9.00 am                                      | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2017   |
| Year 6 Themed Lunch – Leaver's Choice                              | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2017   |
| <b>SCHOOL CLOSURES TO PUPILS TUESDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017</b> |                                     |

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| <b>SCHOOL OPENS TO PUPILS</b> | <b>TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017</b> | <b>8.45 am (Doors Open)<br/>8.55 am (Registration)</b> |
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