



Shobnall Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

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Today brings a close to the end of our 1st half of the Spring Term and officially marks the half way point in the academic year. This week has witnessed our Parents Evenings in school and of course, a huge thank you for all who came in to school to speak to the teachers. Once again, I was delighted to learn of a near-full turn out. This really illustrates the care and support that you give both your children and also the school and for that, I speak on behalf of all staff by saying, 'Thank You.' May I also take this opportunity of wishing you a fabulous half-term break and we will be welcoming the children and parents back to school on Monday 27th February.

Fabulous Fives

I have had the absolute pleasure of teaching our Year 5 class for the past two weeks and it was great to be back in front of the class. We have certainly managed to get through a huge amount of work during this short period of time and I guess the children are relieved that it is half term! We have been working on non-



chronological reports and the children were inspired to create their own, about either vampires, unicorns, zombies or any other creature which appealed to them. I shared my writing structure on the greatest villain of all: Darth Vader. The quality of punctuation, sentence starters and improved vocabulary choices really impressed me and do pop in to see the new display in the Y5 classroom at the end of the day, after half term.



In addition to this, we have been studying angles, division with decimal remainders and even adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators! Some of the work has proved a real challenge to all the children but they were inspired by attempting to solve Year 6 and 7 problems and challenges. Well done to the Year 5 class, now push on and complete the second half of the year with a real flourish!

Little Dresses for Africa Appeal

Mrs Edge, one of our wonderful parents, is looking at ways to support the charity, "Little Dresses for Africa". This charity, looks to support both boys and girls and one of its key principles is "much more than sending clothes, it is sending hope"! Mrs Edge, along with family and friends are going to make lots of pillow case dresses and skirts for girls and rompers and shorts for boys and send them to Africa. Mrs Edge is asking for donations of new/nearly new pillow cases or fabric, or if you would like to make some yourself, please speak to Mrs Edge for more details.

Please could all pillowcases/fabric be bought into school by Friday 3rd March 2017 and any handmade dresses be brought into school by Friday 31st March 2017. If you would like some more information about this non-profit charity, details can be found by visiting:
www.littledressesforafrica.org

FOOTBALL



Well done to our Year 3 and 4 Footballers that participated in the East Staffs Schools friendly tournament at Thomas Alleyne's High School on Wednesday. The children drew the first match 1-1 with a cracking goal from Joe.B, then lost their second game 1-0, but then bounced back with a win with a brilliant goal from Zakariyah H. Well done to all children that participated and thank you to the parents that came along to support the children.

WORLD BOOK DAY – THEME LUNCH

The kitchen staff are holding a World Book Day Theme Lunch on Thursday 2nd March 2017. The children will be able to choose from the following delectable menu items:

Option 1:	Mad Hatter Pizza
Option 2	Gruffalo Grill (Beef or Quorn Burger in a Bun)
Option 3	Harry Potter's Hot Dog (Sausage in a Bun)
Side:	Alice's Hash Browns
Sweet:	Queen of Hearts Shortcake
Drink	Choice of drink

EYFS NURSERY/RECEPTION SUPER-HERO DAY

The children have spent the morning on 'Super Missions'. They have searched the school for 'Super Ted's Masks' and they took part in a 'Beat the Bell' exercise course. Well done to all of our 'Super Heroes' who dressed up wonderfully, we can definitely close the first half term on a 'Super Hero High'.



Head Teacher Assembly Awards

Reception	Owais H	Rosie E
Year 1	Betsy W	Millie D
Year 2	Rocco G	Seren Y
Year 3	Joe D	Amelia L
Year 4	Eve W	Rhys L
Year 5	Sam F, Callum K, Ava R, Charlie F	Hamzah Y
Year 6	Jay HC	Paige B

Lunchtime Star Awards

Reception	Joshua McG	Super behaviour
Year 1	Isabelle E	Being happy and friendly
Year 2	Skye Wilson	Being kind and caring
Year 3	Kaydon B	Being helpful and friendly
Year 4	Madeeha H	Being helpful
Year 5	Maryam A	Being helpful and friendly
Year 6	Tallulah L	Sensible during 'Active Playgrounds'



Diary Dates/Event	Date and Time
World Book Day	Thursday 2 nd March 2017
World Book Day Themed Lunch	Thursday 2 nd March 2017
Swimming Commences Year 4	Tuesday 28 th February 2017
Clubs Begin this week	Monday 6 th March 2017
Year 3 Roman Day (In school)	Thursday 9 th March 2017
Nursery Class Assembly to Parents	Wednesday 22 nd March at 9.15am
Bikeability Year 5	Thursday 30 th & Friday 31 st March 2017