



## Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

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It has been an incredibly warm week this week, starting with the blistering heat of Sports Day and obviously this continued throughout the majority of the week. However, I have been absolutely delighted with the children and their ability to remain on task in class and displaying really positive attitudes to learning. It is not easy sitting in warm classrooms and we thanked the children with an ice lolly for all pupils on Tuesday morning. Please can I ask all parents to continue to send in sun-hats and plenty of water for your child to drink during this warm period. Application of sun-cream prior to coming to school is also strongly recommended. Thank you once again in support of this matter.

### Sports Day

We all had a fabulous morning on Monday with the celebration of our new look Sports Day. It was great being able to capture the thoughts and suggestions of many parents and thank you all who contributed, you have certainly given us a number of ideas for adapting the format. The children all thoroughly enjoyed the inclusive event and I am sure you will agree, from the pupil's point of view, it really was a huge success. We will be making sure that we look at ways to overcome the concerns raised and endeavour to improve this activity based sports morning further, ready for next year's event. Congratulations to the children in Sinai House who contributed to their overall winning score!

### Music Share Concert

On Tuesday evening, the school choir performed at Swadlincote with a number of other school choirs. They performed a number of different songs from the Joseph musical and sang beautifully. As always, the children were a real credit to the school and looked incredibly smart. A huge thank you to all parents who either attended or picked up children after the event.



### Year 1 Class Assembly

We look forward to welcoming in our Year 1 parents and extended family members on Tuesday morning next week. This will be the last class to perform this year and we hope that all of our families have enjoyed the new approach to sharing assemblies with parents. We will certainly be looking to continuing this approach next year and will of course inform you of such dates well in advance. Thank you to all who have managed to come in to school to support the children this year and of course a big thank you to Mrs Foster and Mrs Roach who have provided the free teas and coffees (plus biscuits) to all our visitors.

## Punctuality

As a school, we pride ourselves on our appearance, behaviour and conduct in and around school. In addition to this, we ask all parents to sign a Home – School agreement when their children joins the school and one of the points that parents are made aware of is the importance of punctuality, especially when arriving at school in the morning. I am aware that from time to time, issues such as traffic or domestic situations arise which results in late arrival however, I would like to remind all our families that the school doors are open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am. Therefore, please can you consider your timings when leaving home, taking into account the traffic and parking arrangements and endeavour to encourage your child to arrive on time please. Even though we are moving towards the end of the school year, it does not mean that school timings are relaxed in any way. Thank you for your support in this matter.

## Reading Corner

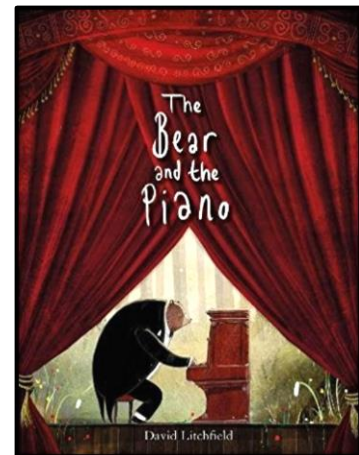
With the Summer Reading Challenge 2017 well under way, this week's recommended read is for children 6 – 7. We hope you enjoy!

### Bear and the Piano

Written by David Litchfield  
Published by Frances Lincoln

One day in the forest, a young boy stumbles upon a piano and teaches himself to play it. The bear's piano playing makes him a huge star, but he misses the friends and family he has left behind.

Could it be that money and celebrity are not everything? A moving tale of exploration and belonging, boasting some beautiful artwork.



## Dove Valley Rounders



Children from Year 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Dove Valley rounders tournament at Paget High School competing against 10 other schools! Shobnall's rounders team did tremendously well getting through the knockout stages to go into the semi-finals to compete against Richard Wakefield whom they then beat with 10 rounders to 6 to put them through to the final! They then went on to face Yoxall in the final which they narrowly missed out on winning, but still got to pick up some more silverware with runners up medals. Well done Shobnall rounders team - Mr Attwood and Mr Cruise were really proud of you!

## Nursery Class Visit Mrs Taylor's Garden



**WOW!**

Nursery Class have some budding gardeners in the group. We spent a lovely morning in Mrs Taylor's Garden, learning about planting fruit and vegetables and even having the chance to dig up some new potatoes. It was so hot Mr Taylor had to turn on the sprinklers to keep the plants cool.

Mrs Wheeler had great fun in the wheelbarrow racing. We then had time to enjoy a Teddy Bear's Picnic with some cool drink.

Reception are looking forward to their visit next week on Wednesday morning 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017 - Don't forget your teddies children as we will also be having a picnic!



## Forest School Reception Class



This week in school, the Reception Class hosted five teaching students from South Korea as they took part in their Forest School session. The students were very impressed with the children's impeccable behaviour and were astounded at the range of learning opportunities on offer.

Children demonstrated how carefully and safely they could use both hammers and secateurs, as well as exploring the qualities of mud by making mud paint, matching colours to nature around them and decorating stones. As children in South Korea don't have outdoor learning areas we hope we have given the students a memory to treasure.





### Head Teacher Assembly Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Basri H	Ismail R
<b>Year 1</b>	Betsy W	Harry F
<b>Year 2</b>	Haniya N	Moses T
<b>Year 3</b>	Ceron G	Robey W
<b>Year 4</b>	Oliver H	Laiba K
<b>Year 5</b>	Safiya N	Haseeb S
<b>Year 6</b>	Sana H	Leo W

### Lunchtime Star Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Bethan P	
<b>Year 1</b>	Safi S	
<b>Year 2</b>	Ella H	
<b>Year 3</b>	Noah J	
<b>Year 4</b>	Patryk B	
<b>Year 5</b>	Jayden M	
<b>Year 6</b>	Daniel B	

### Summer Term 2017 – Dates for your diary

Diary Dates/Events	Date and Time
New Nursery starters Induction Afternoon (1 <sup>st</sup> Half)	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
3.30 pm Eid Celebration Food Sale	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
Year 1 Assembly for Parents	9.15 am 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
New Reception starters Induction Afternoon Session 1	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
EYFS Educational Visit to Twycross Zoo	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2017
New Nursery starters Induction Afternoon (2 <sup>nd</sup> Half)	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2017
New Reception starters Induction Afternoon Session 2	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
3.45 pm Transition Meeting for parents for children going into Year 3 in September 2017	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
3.00 pm Reception transition pm meeting for parents for children leaving EYFS to move up to Key Stage One	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
Year 6 Enterprise Fair for Pupils only	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
Year 6 Leavers' Disco	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2017
Year 6 Final Assembly 9.00 am	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
Year 6 Special Leavers' Lunch	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
School closes for Summer Holidays	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2017
School reopens to pupils 8.45 am Readers 8.55 am Registration	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2017