



Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

7th December 2018

What another fabulous week it has been, full of sporting challenges, a Year 6 Residential and a Choir Concert. All of these events are documented in more detail below and it is a real privilege to be able to constantly offer our children such a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities. Work continues in our classrooms and Year 4 have continued to brave the elements by having more enjoyable Forest School sessions. We very much look forward to opening our doors to our EYFS and Year 3 parents next week and these families are in for a real treat – it's our Nativity and Christmas performances. If you do get the chance to make a Christingle over the weekend, then do bring it in on Monday morning to help celebrate this festival at St. Aidan's Church – the more the merrier!

PFA Christmas Fair



It was wonderful to see so many of you at our annual Christmas Fair last Friday night. It was a fabulous turn out and one that will really go to help and support the children within our school. Thank you to all of you who came and spent your hard earned money and we are delighted to announce that the final total of profit, which the PFA will allocate, totalled at just over £1100. This is an incredible achievement and certainly takes a huge

amount of work and efforts. Huge thanks must go to Caroline Frost, Ian and Tracey Pullen, Phani Sunkara, Becca Woolley, Ashleigh and Rob Lewis, Julie Tinning, Jane Yorke, Debbie Knight, Mel Dixon, Debbie Spencer, Louise Colver, Alex Redfern, Donna Clarke and Paula Johnson who helped in so many different ways and means –you are all incredibly awesome and fully appreciated – **THANK YOU!**



Parking Issues

It has been brought to my attention that there have been a handful of parents who have been choosing to ignore the zig zag lines outside of the main school building on Shobnall Road. I must insist that all parents and other family members comply with the rules and avoid parking on these lines. I was incredibly grateful to one parent this week, who chose to point out the inappropriate nature of another parent's parking but sadly, the driver's response was to shrug her shoulders and ignore this request. As always, I am happy to receive any car details who fail to comply with the safety procedures put in place and will forward on to the police.

ESSP Archery Tournament – We did it again – CHAMPIONS!



Shobnall took part in the East Staffs Sports Partnership Archery Tournament on Thursday at Robert Sutton High School. Shobnall children practised really hard for this event every dinner time for the past two weeks and all the hard work paid off as they got first place out of 12 teams, retaining their title as Archery champions! Archie S also did tremendously well, winning the top Archer medal out of 60 children who participated! Well done to all the children who took part and many thanks to all the parents who helped in transporting the children to the event.

Year 6 Residential



The Year 6 children have had an absolutely wonderful time at Whitemoor Lakes this week, experiencing a 2 night/3 day stay. This is the first time that we have chosen to use these facilities and the reason for a short break is that these children were fortunate enough to visit France last year for the whole week. However, Whitemoor has provided a completely different experience in terms of the physical challenges that they have faced.



All children (and staff) were fully involved in climbing, abseiling, zip wires, canoeing plus other exciting challenges before having a festive themed disco and even passing their "Elf Academy" trials! The food on offer looked



incredible and I know that Mr Adams has loved his full English option each morning and his highlight has to be the Christmas dinner on Thursday evening. As always, the children have represented the school perfectly and the staff at the centre spoke incredibly fondly and highly of our wonderful children. Twitter has captured many memorable moments of this trip and of course these images are all replicated on the school website should you not use this social media app. Huge thanks to Mrs Leedham and Miss Lord for supporting this trip and supporting Mr Adams – have a restful weekend children!

JTMAT Christmas Concert



The children of our choir enjoyed a fabulous day and evening at JTFS on Monday as they sang as part of the JTMAT combined choir. This was the very first time that all of the schools have been involved in collaboratively and it was a super event. We were joined by the JTHS band, who accompanied us with their playing of the classic carols and all three performances that the children produced were fantastic. Plans are now in place for future collaborative events and even another choir concert next year. However, Young Voices is next up at the end of January, so we will be returning once again to the NEC for what promises to be yet another excellent day and evening of singing.

Head Teacher Assembly Awards

Lunchtime Star Awards

Reception	Inayah A	Esmee G		Inayah A
Year 1	Hakeem A	Freddy W		Mohammed A
Year 2	Musa H	Elise K		Isabelle J
Year 3	Charlie J	Pia P		Stephen C
Year 4	Oscar McC	Seren Y		Manayal S
Year 5	Yazaan M	Francesca E		Imogen B
Year 6	Whole class for their attendance and participation at Whitemoor Lakes			Ruby T

Team Points	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
Points w/e 7.12.18	151	68	132	113
Position	1st - 4 points	4th - 1 point	2nd - 3 points	3rd - 2 points
Second half Autumn term	11	17	10	12
Running Total	34	58	35	36

Autumn Term 2018 – Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2018 – Events for your Diary	Date and Time
Christingle Service St Aidan's Church Pupils Only	Monday 10 th December 2018
Foundation Stage Nativity - Nursery & Reception	Tuesday 11 th December 2018 9:15 am
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Year 3 Christmas Celebration	Thursday 13 th December 2018 9:15 am
KS1 Christmas Performance, Years 1 & 2	Monday 17 th December 2018 9.15 am
KS1 Christmas Performance, Years 1 & 2	Monday 17 th December 2018 2.00 pm
Christmas 'Drive Thru' Lunch prior to Pantomime	Tuesday 18 th December 2018
Lichfield Garrick Theatre Dick Whittington	Tuesday 18 th December 2018 4.30 pm return
Christmas Dinner Day	Wednesday 19 th December 2018
Christmas Craft Day	Thursday 20 th December 2018 all day
Christmas Party Bag Lunch	Friday 21 st December 2018
Last Day of Term	Friday 21 st December 2018
School Re-opens	Tuesday 8 th January 2019 8.45 am