

Shobnall Primary School

Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

8th March 2019

We have had a very exciting week at school and this was celebrated in particular by a fantastic display of book characters on Thursday. I must say that both the children and staff looked fabulous but read further on in this letter to learn more about how we celebrated World Book Day 2019.

As always, the learning opportunities designed by our creative teachers have resulted in plenty of fun but fabulous learning. I have enjoyed seeing our Key Stage 1 classes designing and creating their own Fire Engines although Mrs Sandhu looked slightly exhausted with the tidying up of all the paint and glue! Our Year 3 class had a fabulous time in our Forest School setting and were making pancakes on an open fire! They certainly managed to benefit from Shrove Tuesday falling on their Forest School afternoon but I noticed that they didn't share any!

Writing has been taking centre stage in our 3 older classes and Mrs Knight has been introducing some mixed ability writing and the results have been incredible and is something that she would like to share with the rest of the staff. Year 6 have continued to produce plenty of extended writing for their SATs evidence base and Mr Adams has led the children with persuasive letters and this has been followed up by explanation texts today. Finally, Year 5 have been writing Instruction texts in how to make a bath bomb! Today, they have actually made these and they will hopefully be coming home on Monday night – keep a look out for them in your child's book bags if your child is in Y5 – these may persuade our Y5 children to actually have a bath! Please check out Twitter to see these bath bomb creations along with all of the other fabulous activities that the children have been involved in this week.

World Book Day



As always, we were so impressed with all the effort that the children (and parents!) had put into the wonderful assortment of costumes we saw around the school on World Book Day! Thank you to all our parents for their efforts! Some members of staff shone out with their outfits too, especially the EYFS staff who all came dressed as crayons! This

year's theme has been 'Share a Story' and Mr Adams was able to share some of the £1 books with the children in assembly. We hope that these recommendations inspire the children to take their World Book Day tokens to their local bookstores and use them to purchase one of these recommended reads! Many thanks to the PFA, who again organised a Used Swap Sale, and all of the children and parents who donated their used books. We managed to raise £130.00 for new resources for the children. A fantastic day was had by all!



Comic Relief

We will continue to sell red noses for Comic Relief! There are enough for all of our children to buy one each, should they want to. Year 6 will be going around the classrooms to sell them at the end of the day. If any child would like to purchase a nose, they will be sold at a price of £1.25. In addition to the red noses, we would like to encourage the children to come in to school in non-school uniform on Friday 15th March and they will be charged 50p for this privilege. All proceeds from this non-uniform event will go towards Comic Relief. We hope that you are able to support the fundraising!



Key Stage 1 – Design and Technology Fire Engine Construction



As part of our 'FIRE, FIRE!' topic, Year 1 and 2 have enjoyed getting creative to make their own fire engine model. Children gathered ideas from the fire visit (when they explored a fire engine at school) and research. They then designed the engines and this week had chance to make and evaluate them. They used different joining techniques to create their very detailed and fabulous fire engines. Well done!

Nursery Forest School Week 2

This week at Forest School the children took part in a range of activities linked to Little Red Riding Hood. They had lots of fun looking carefully for the Big Bad wolf and his friends. They also created beautiful flowers using natural materials they had gathered in the Forest as well as journey sticks to recall the way to Grandma's house. They got creative making mud cakes with a variety of toppings, including worms! To finish off the children all enjoyed a pancake, including the Big Bad Wolf who turned out not to be so scary after all!



PCSO Visit

We were delighted to welcome Julia Wells and Sarah Leadlay, our local PCSO's into school this afternoon to talk to the children in years 4, 5 and 6 classes. We are currently looking at ways in which we can reinforce the various important messages of staying safe on line and educating children about their own online conduct. The children were taught in individual classes and were shown a short clip, designed to educate the children about the importance of not sharing information, understanding how the internet can be misused by people and posting images which are inappropriate. Please do speak to your child about these sessions and be aware of what your child is doing online, including group chats and online gaming through games consoles. Thank you for your ongoing support in this matter.

Reading Corner

This week's recommended read is for children aged 0 – 3...

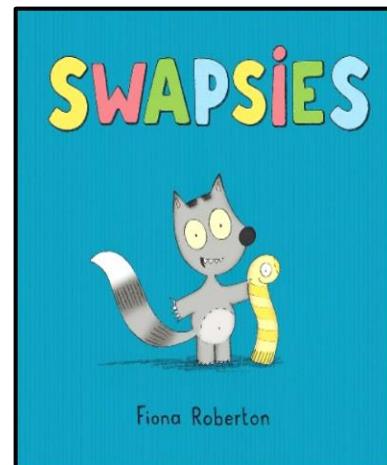
Swapsies

Written by Fiona Roberton

Published by Hodder Children's Books

Fang loves Sock. Sock is yellow, stripy, squeezy and smells like bananas. Philip loves Train. Train is red, shiny, honky and smells like tomatoes. And there's always Stick, after all...

Aspirational reading for toddlers and pre-schoolers, which reminds us that friendship makes us want to share.



Head Teacher Assembly Awards

| Reception | Evalyn W | Dexter K |
|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Year 1 | Ettie D | Oliver O |
| Year 2 | Kaden P | Zara I |
| Year 3 | Joshua L | Harry F |
| Year 4 | Jasmine K | Elsie W |
| Year 5 | Alika A | Dylan P |
| Year 6 | Isla J | Hugo E |

Lunchtime Star Awards

| Reception | Fatimah A |
|-----------|-----------|
| Year 1 | Joseph W |
| Year 2 | Ameen A |
| Year 3 | Betsy W |
| Year 4 | Iflak T |
| Year 5 | Alika A |
| Year 6 | Hugo E |

Team Points – Week Ending 8th March 2019

| Team Points | Claymills | Rosliston | Sinai | Trent |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Points w/e 8.3.19 | 127 | 142 | 139 | 130 |
| Position | 4 th – 1 pt | 1 st – 4 pts | 2 nd – 3 pts | 3 rd – 2 pts |
| Second Half Spring Term 2019 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 4 |
| Running Total | 61 | 95 | 70 | 81 |

Spring Term 2019 – Dates for your Diary

| Event | Date and Time |
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| Red Nose Day – Noses will be on sale again this week on a 'first come first served basis'. | Monday 11 th March 2019 |
| Clubs commence this week for 4 weeks | Monday 11 th March 2019 |
| Forest School Session Number 3 for Nursery | Tuesday 12 th March 2019 Morning |
| Forest School for Year 3 – afternoon | Thursday 14 th March 2019 |
| Comic Relief "Red Nose Day" – wear non uniform for a 50p fine – all proceeds will go to Comic Relief | Friday 15 th March 2019 |
| Bikeability for Year 5 Pupils | Wednesday 20 th March & Thursday 21 st March 2019 |
| PFA Easter Bingo in main school hall 6.00 pm | Wednesday 10 th April 2019 |
| Break up for the Easter Holidays | Friday 12 th April 2019 |