



## Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

The children have all settled into the daily routine of school now and now the summer break seems like a distant memory. All pupils have been working incredibly hard this week and teachers have all praised the efforts and attitudes both in and out of the classroom. A huge thank you must also go to you, as parents, for continuing to support your child with the homework which has started to come home. We hope that you like the new look homework books and I'm sure you will all agree that the presentation and effort has improved because of these. Don't forget that should you have any questions or queries regarding the homework then do please contact your child's teacher at the earliest opportunity so that we can address these concerns.

### Year 6 Parents

I have been asked by Mr James Twynham, Head Teacher of John Taylor Academy to invite all parents of pupils currently in Year 6 to a meeting in our school hall at 3.30pm on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September. This meeting is for those parents who may be interested in applying for a place at the John Taylor Academy next year. Please note that applying for John Taylor Academy is **TOTALLY SEPARATE** from applying online to the new John Taylor Free School. It is an opportunity to meet the Headteacher and learn more about the secondary application process. Please feel free to bring your children into the hall after you have picked them up.

### Meet the Teacher

Many thanks to those who managed to spare ten minutes this week and pop in to meet your child's new teacher. It is important that all parents are involved in the education of their children and we would always warmly encourage you to pop in to speak to the staff or indeed myself should you have any questions and queries.

### Sports Transport

Last academic year, the school was proud to enter more competitive sporting events than ever before and we are incredibly grateful to all the staff and in particular, Mr Attwood, for offering their free time to arrange fixtures and competitions and transporting pupils to and from events. This year already promises to eclipse last years' offering and the diary is already looking incredibly busy. However, as many of you are no doubt aware, the school does rely on the generous nature of our parents to support with transport arrangements. Therefore, if you are a parent of a child who does receive a letter stating that they have been selected to represent the school, please could you consider, to the best of your ability, whether or not you may be able to help with transport arrangements either to or from events. I fully appreciate that many parents have other commitments but if you could just consider this, on occasion, then I can assure you that both the school and more importantly, the children, will fully appreciate it. Many thanks in advance.

## Diary Dates

Last week, you may remember that I shared with you all the class assembly dates for each and every class throughout the year. The purpose of this was to ensure that you all knew, well in advance, some of the important events happening in school and therefore hopefully enable you to make necessary arrangements to ensure you do not miss anything. This week, we have included other crucial events such as performances and PFA key events:

Event	Date (All assemblies start at 9.15 a.m.)
PFA Christmas Fair	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 3.30pm
Nursery & Reception Christmas Performance	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 9.15am
Nursery & Reception Christmas Performance	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 9.15am
Year 3 Christmas Performance	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 9.15am
Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 9.15am <b>AND</b> 2.00pm
Key Stage 2 SATs Week	W/B Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May.
School Sports Day	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> June. Reserve date Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June.
PFA Eid Fair	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 3.30pm
Years 4, 5 & 6 Brewhouse Performance	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 1.30pm <b>AND</b> 6.00pm

## School Football News

Last night, Mr Attwood took the new school team to their first competitive fixture of the new season to Alrewas.



Shobnall Year 5 and 6 Football team started off the new season playing against Alrewas All Saints away this week. In the first half Shobnall worked tremendously well working as a team passing and moving and defending brilliantly. There were some magnificent debut performances from Sulaiman A, Callum K, Zakariyah H and Patryk B. The game was very tight and was 0-0 all the way up to the last minute until All Saints scored, which did not reflect on our performance! Bad luck Shobnall, there were a lot of positives to take from the match! Well done to our star goalie Patrick. B. who got '**Man of the Match**'.

## Reading Corner

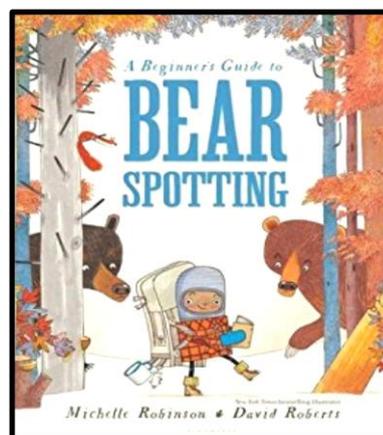
We hope that you've had a great summer of reading! This week's recommended read is for children aged 4 -5...

### A Beginner's Guide to Bear Spotting

Written by Michelle Robinson and David Roberts

Published by Bloomsbury

A young child sets off to explore bear country, armed with a guide book. However, when faced with two bears (black and brown: both dangerous), the brave explorer has to use some unusual tactic to avoid being eaten. The frivolous guide combines tongue-in-cheek text with witty, characterful illustrations. The result is a stylish, highly entertaining picture book.



## Team Points

As I mentioned last week this year we will be publishing the team point results each Friday so the children are aware of their team's scores on the doors!

To date the scores are as follows:

Week Ending	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
8.9.2017	38	35	36	52
<b>Points</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
15.9.17	102	118	79	93
<b>Points</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>RUNNING TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>

## Head Teacher Assembly Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Freya B	Henry McC
<b>Year 1</b>	Leah W	Alex H
<b>Year 2</b>	Pia P	Qayyam A
<b>Year 3</b>	Elsie W	Lacey G
<b>Year 4</b>	Scarlett S	Robey W
<b>Year 5</b>	Eve W	Ben D
<b>Year 6</b>	Leo H	Zakia I

## Lunchtime Star Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Joseph W	
<b>Year 1</b>	Bethan P	
<b>Year 2</b>	Anaya A	
<b>Year 3</b>	Hettie B	
<b>Year 4</b>	Imogen B	
<b>Year 5</b>	Falak S	
<b>Year 6</b>	Grace C	

## Diary Dates Autumn First Half-Term

Extra-curricular clubs begin for 4 weeks	W/b 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2017
Whole School Individual Photographs	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 – All day
France Parents Meeting for final arrangements	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2017 – 6.00 pm
Years 5 & 6 French trip	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2017
Parents Evening	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October – 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm
Parents Evening	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October – 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm
Last day of school before half term	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2017
<b>School closed to pupils</b>	<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017</b>