



Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

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As always, many of our children have been involved in plenty of different activities over the course of this week and the highlight, certainly for our Y3 & 4 class, was their trip to Twycross Zoo. Miss Barker informs me that they virtually had the zoo all to themselves and the behaviour was impeccable from all - so well done children!

Additionally, some of the staff headed to Spaldings Book Supplies in Barton last night to begin to restock and replenish the EYFS and Key Stage 1 reading corners. Many of you will remember that this was one of the aims of the school this year and we are all very excited about getting these books on to the shelves. Of course we have to wait for the final delivery and we will write to you in due course with regards to these new books. We hope that we will be able to distribute these books into these classes prior to half term.

We also welcomed three head teachers from Stoke on Trent today who contacted the school prior to Christmas to see if they could come and learn more about Shobnall Primary. They chose our school as they were so impressed with our attainment and progress data when Staffordshire published the results and were eager to come and learn from our skilled staff. It was a positive experience and all three were incredibly impressed with the children's attitude to learning and fabulous manners.

Year 3 & 4 Visit to Twycross Zoo

What a week it has been for years 3 and 4! The children have been to Twycross Zoo which was the launch day for our new topic Roar! The children had a fantastic time there and they have learned so many interesting facts about different animals. The children particularly enjoyed the Rainforest workshop, where the children had to pretend to be a different section of the rainforest!

We were very proud of the children, who also had the experience of calculating prices and their change in the gift shop. Thank you so much to the adults who helped with the trip, an extra pair of hands is always useful.



Dodgeball Tournament

Shobnall Y6 Dodgeball team took part in a very exciting tournament at the Blessed Robert Sutton School on Monday up against 12 other Schools. They played 10 matches and managed to win 8 of the 10 but sadly got knocked out of the quarter finals against a very strong William Shrewsbury team. Well done boys and keep on ducking, diving and dodging!



Shanghai Maths Observations.

Mr Gordon and Miss Barker had a real treat this morning when they visited Outwoods Primary school in Burton. The staff were invited to observe two teachers from 'Shanghai Teach Maths' and were joined by a number of other teachers from East Staffordshire. The Shanghai approach is deemed the best and most effective approach in the world and Staffordshire schools have been researching this model of maths teaching for a while now. We are looking forward to hearing much more about the morning's session and supporting our teachers in improving the quality of our maths provision throughout the school.

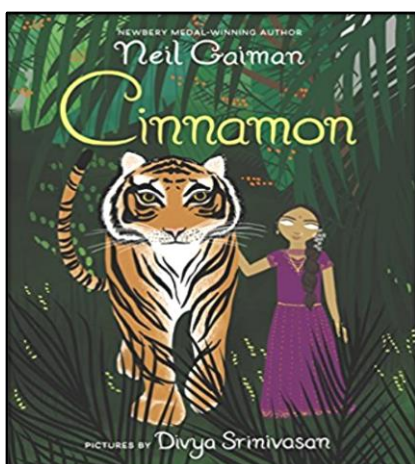
Help Needed With Books!

As you read in my introduction, we are about to receive an order of books for our Key Stage 1 Reading areas and this totals around 700 new books! Fortunately, most of these new books have the jackets that fit and protects them from damage when in book bags. However, we have 3 large boxes at school of books which came out of the old KS1 library and many are brand new. Sadly, most of these books do not have a jacket or protective cover. We are very reluctant to place these books onto the shelves without this protective cover and therefore we are desperate for help in covering the books. Mrs Frost and a very small team of parents have worked through some but there are still plenty more. If anyone feels they have the time to maybe take 10 or 20 home with a role of transparent sticky plastic to help then we would be **VERY VERY** interested. Please could you pop in to the school office if you have this time and collect. It would be greatly appreciated.

Reading Corner

This week's recommended read is for children aged 6 - 7...

Cinnamon



Written by Neil Gaiman
Published by Bloomsbury

Blind Princess Cinnamon does not talk. The Rajah and the Rani offer great rewards to anyone who can get Cinnamon to say something, but only a talking tiger succeeds. Yet the tiger's stories inspire the princess to leave her family home for a life in the magical, sensory jungle...

A haunting and mythical tale with lush, vibrant images.

KITCHEN COMPETITION WINNERS – ‘DRIVE THRU’



These lucky children won a prize in our “Drive Thru” lunchtime competition.

NAME	YEAR GROUP	PRIZE
Ettie D	Reception	Bracelets
Oliver O	Reception	Crayons
Musa L	Year 1	Despicable Me Set
Lucy W	Year 1	Bracelets
Betsy W	Year 2	Powerpuff Girls Figure Set
Finley D	Year 2	Car Set
Jack W	Year 3	Transformers Bath Set
Ella H	Year 3	Lovely Lip Balm
Archie S	Year 4	Transformers Bath Set
Scarlett S	Year 4	Trolls Lip Gloss Set
Rhys L	Year 5	Milkshake Free for one week
Ruby T	Year 5	Milkshake Free for one week
Haseeb S	Year 6	Milkshake Free for one week
Grace C	Year 6	Milkshake Free for one week

Team Points Spring Term 2018

End of Term	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
Points for w/e 19.1.18	193	190	261	267
YEAR RUNNING TOTAL SPRING TERM	2	1	3	4
Accumulated Score Whole Year	47	47	31	57

Head Teacher Assembly Awards

Reception	Hafsa UH	Keeghan B	
Year 1	Kaden P	Archie G	
Year 2	Safi S	Amina K	
Year 3	Haidar A	Elsie W	
Year 4	Miller B	Kaydon B	
Year 5	Zoya K	Brielle P	
Year 6	Isobel R	Sam F	
Lunchtime Star Awards			
Reception	Charlotte K		
Year 1	Basri H		
Year 2	Alys J		
Year 3	Haniya N		
Year 4	Dylan P		
Year 5	Aleeza S		
Year 6	Valerija K		

DIARY DATES SPRING TERM 2018

Archery Tournament at Blessed Robert Sutton High School 4.00 pm – 5.15 pm	Monday 22 nd January 2018
Year 5 Swimming Lessons Meadowside Leisure	Tuesday 23 rd January 2018
3.30 pm Phat Magic Club (3)	Tuesday 23 rd January 2018
Choir Club 3.30 pm Mr Mansfield	Wednesday 24 th January 2018
Hockey Club 3.30 pm Mrs Welch	Wednesday 24 th January 2018
Parents Evening Spring Term	Mon 5 th & Wed 7 th February 2018
Year 1 and 2 Visit to Tamworth Castle	Thursday 8 th February 2018
Year 1 Class Assembly	Thursday 15 th February – 9.15 am
Break up for Half Term	Friday 16 th February 2018 at 3.30 pm