



Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

8th December 2017

This week has been action packed, full of success and celebration and of course, incredibly busy. The children have, as always, made the school extremely proud, whether through sporting triumphs, representing the school or indeed just working consistently hard throughout the week. I am sure that by the time you are reading this, many of you will have supported our PFA in attending the Christmas Fair and a huge thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets, spent your hard-earned money and came along to enjoy the festive fun.

Year 5 French Assembly



Over the past few weeks, we have all been treated to some wonderful class assemblies from our 3 eldest classes and when Year 5 presented this week, once again we were thrilled to see the children share their experiences of their French trip. This was a very different approach to the French theme in comparison to Y6 the previous week and it really gave the children and parents an insight into the trip and the week's activities. We particularly enjoyed seeing the short film clip of the children being squirted by the fresh goat milk which made them scream and run in the opposite direction. Many thanks to Miss Barnard and her class for a wonderful assembly.

Year 3 & 4 Swimming Champions!



Mr Attwood is always determined to provide huge opportunities to our children when competing in sporting events and it is always doubly pleasing when the school win. This week, the school's Year 3&4 swimming team were crowned champions of East Staffordshire at Abbots

Bromley School. They competed against 8 other schools and the children selected were utterly amazing! They swam in a range of different events, from front crawl, breast stroke and back-stroke to a relay event. We are soooooo proud of the children and the same team will be competing in another gala next week – the very best of luck children! The team included: Millie K, Rocco G, Francesca E, Ethan H, Olivia R, Zeb S, Robey W.



Winter Wonderland Singing

On Tuesday evening, our School Choir were invited to sing at Hill Street Church, Swadlincote by Mr Mansfield. We were joined by 5 other schools and the children had been preparing for this concert for a number of weeks now, all based on a Christmas theme. As always, Shobnall children looked and sounded amazing and were a real credit to the school and the parents. We are now very excited as the next large performance will be in a few weeks when the School Choir visits the Genting Arena, Birmingham and will perform with around 8000 other children to a similar size audience. We can't wait!!!!



Charlotte James Choir Visit

As a school, we believe in working within our local community in a variety of different ways and on many different projects. This week, our School Choir visited Charlotte James Nursing Home, next door to the school and our children dazzled and entertained the residents there. We are always made to feel so welcome and the children thoroughly enjoyed it. Next week, we will be visiting Amber House Care Home to replicate the carols sung. Thanks to Mr Mansfield for helping organise and lead on these events.



Next Week's Arrangements

As you are all no doubt aware, next week is incredibly busy. We start the week with our traditional Christingle Assembly at St. Aidan's Church so please encourage your child to make one for this special assembly. We then have our Nursery and Reception Nativity performance on Tuesday and Wednesday morning, starting roughly around 9.15am. Year 3 take centre stage on Thursday for a 9.15am start also and then the children will be visiting the Pantomime in Lichfield on Friday morning. ***Please can I ask you all to make an extra special effort to ensure your child is in school at 8.45am at the very latest as the coaches will be leaving around 9.00am! Sorry, we will not be able to wait for any late comers – the theatre performance will begin promptly and late comers are not accepted!*** It is worth noting that there will be 5 coaches parked outside the school on Friday morning, ready for the 9.00am departure and this will obviously cause significant delays with traffic so please build this in to your journey time.

Parking Matters

As a school, we are aware of the increasingly difficult parking conditions around the school during both the morning and evening drop off times. This has been caused by the work completed at the building at the bottom of Reservoir Road plus the huge amount of traffic travelling up and down this road for construction purposes. However, a number of vehicles are still parking inconsiderately and dangerously which is a great concern for the safety of our children. A number of parents have shared their rightful concerns over these parking issues and it is essential that you **do not park** on the double yellow lines, block our neighbours' driveways or use the grass verge on Highcroft Drive. A number of cars have been photographed parking illegally and in a dangerous manner and the details have been forwarded to the traffic Enforcement Agency. We have always maintained an excellent informal relationship with the Albion pub and this is an ideal location to park and walk up to the school, please use this facility!

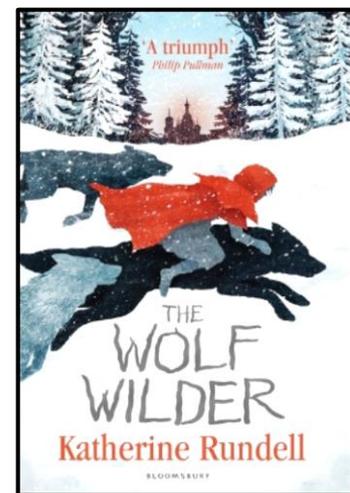
Reading Corner

This week's recommended read is for children aged 8 and above...

The Wolf Wilder

Written by Katherine Rundell
Published by Bloomsbury

Feodora and her mother, a wolf wilder, live in the snowbound woods of Russia. But when the murderous hostility of the Russian Army threatens her existence, Feo is left with no option but to go on the run. What follows is a classic-feeling story of revolution and adventure, about standing up for things you love and fighting back.



Head Teacher Assembly Awards

Reception	Hakeem A	Rafael P
Year 1	Bethan P	Sophie M
Year 2	Stephen C	Anaya A
Year 3	Ella H	Lano M
Year 4	Imogen B	Sayaan UH
Year 5	Patryk B	Aleena H
Year 6	Fin M	Sulaiman A

Lunchtime Star Awards

Reception	Freya B
Year 1	Keeva D
Year 2	Isabella E
Year 3	Millie G
Year 4	Max M
Year 5	Casper P
Year 6	Damien E



Team Points

Week Ending 08.12.2017	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
Points	3	2	1	4
Autumn 2 nd Half Term Sub Total	15	17	7	21
YEAR RUNNING TOTAL	42	41	22	47

Kitchen News

On Friday 15th December 2017 we anticipate arriving back in school after the visit to Lichfield Garrick Theatre for the Pantomime, around 1.00 pm. The lunch on this day will be in the form of a 'Party Bag' which everyone can pre order – please ensure you have asked your child/children to make the class teacher aware on the dinner register and pay for this lunch in the normal way on Parent Pay.. The party bag will include a choice of sandwich, a sausage/vegetarian roll, pizza, crisps, cake and a drink. Thank you.



Dates for your Diary

Event	Date and Time
Christingle Service for all pupils & staff	Monday 11 December 2017 9.15 am
Foundation Stage Nativity 9.15 am	Tuesday 12 December 2017
Foundation Stage Nativity 9.15 am	Wednesday 13 December 2017
Year 3 Christmas Performance	Thursday 14 December 9.15am
Whole School visit to Lichfield Garrick Theatre to see a performance of "Aladdin"	Friday 15 December 8.45 am
Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performances	Monday 18 December 9.15am AND 2.00pm
Christmas Lunch for all pupils	Tuesday 19 December 2017
School Breaks up for Christmas Holiday	Tuesday 19 December 2017 at 3.30pm
Mr Attwood's Holiday Camp	Wednesday 20 – Friday 22 December
School closed to pupils Christmas Holiday	Wednesday 20 December 2017