



Shobnall Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

15th February 2019

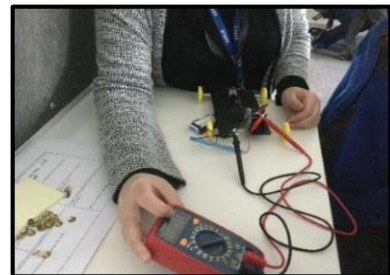
Once again, we seem to have arrived at the end of yet another half term so quickly and we are now officially half way through this academic year, where has the time gone?!?! We have had such a busy term since returning after the Christmas break and the success both within the classrooms and on the sports field have been fabulous and we should all be continually proud of our children's achievements.

A huge thank you to those parents who came along to our parent's evening appointments this week and of course to those who spent time completing the questionnaires. I will collate the findings and report back to you soon after we return from the half term break. In addition to that, I am aware that a number of you were asked to share your opinions and views about online gaming issues that you may be currently experiencing. If you have yet to return this form, we would love to hear from you after half term.

And finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to the many families who have made significant improvements to their punctuality and morning routines. It is wonderful to see the children arriving on time, ready to learn and maximising their classroom learning experiences. Please remember that we are only closed for one week and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday 25th February at 8.45am. For those who haven't considered child care yet or indeed, have a number of tasks to complete without your children, Mr Attwood, as always, will be running his very popular holiday club so do contact him on 07800812039 should you require.

Year 6 Trip to JTFS – The Big Bang Event

Year 6 had a fantastic day at the Big Bang @ John Taylor Free School, where they enjoyed the opportunity to learn about various S.T.E.A.M related careers. They viewed a range of exhibitions, their favourite being from the University of Wolverhampton, which covered the principles of Physics, Microbiology and Forensics. They made infected snot, tested out what 100,000 volts felt like, and took a look around their crime scene! The children also enjoyed their workshop about engineering and got to make and race their own mini electric cars! Finally, Simon Watt (biologist, writer, science communicator, comedian and TV presenter) entertained them with a talk about the genetics of superheroes! Comic books are filled with mutants; heroes and villains whose special abilities are genetic in their origin. He asked them: what are real mutants like, and could we one day use genetics to make us superhuman?



Year 2



In English Year 2 have been looking at the story of “The Snorgh and the Sailor” and they have written lovely short adventure stories.

This week we created a recipe for the Snorgh’s famous “Samphire” soup and enjoyed following our instructions to make it.

Well done Year 2 – the soup was really tasty!

Year 1 Completion of Forest Schools

Year 1 have had a fantastic time at forest school this term. The cold weather created a muddy terrain that was perfect for digging, building and exploring. Throughout our time at forest school we linked our activities to our class topic ‘Fire Fire!’. We made wooden medals for firefighters, created little houses out of logs and even got to pop popcorn over the fire! The children have mastered new skills such as the timber hitch knot to help build sturdy dens and using secateurs safely to make little wooden ladders for mini firefighters! The children already can’t wait for forest school next year!



Early Years “People who help us” Day



The children in Early Years had a wonderful time arriving to school for our “people who help us” dressing up day. We had doctors, nurses, teachers and we even had a mini Mr Adams and Mr Cruise. We were also lucky enough to have a visit from our PCSOs to add to the fun of the day.

To end our topic, we had a visit from the dentist who talked to us about how to look after our teeth and the importance of eating healthily. The children enjoyed wearing dentist gloves and checking each other’s teeth with dental mirrors.

Reading Corner

This week's recommended read is for children aged 8 – 9...

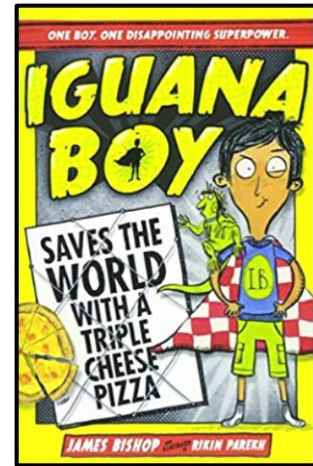
Iguana Boy Saves the World with a Triple Cheese Pizza

Written by James Bishop

Published by Hodder Children's Books

Dylan is desperate to be a superhero, just like his big brother and sister. But when he finally gets his superpower, it turns out to be a really rubbish one. Yet when Platypus Girl takes away all the other superheroes' superpowers, only Iguana Boy can save the world...

Packed full of comic-strip illustrations, this energetic, funny story is full of heart.



Head Teacher's Awards

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| Reception | Flora P | Nell T |
| Year 1 | Amelia A | Oscar T |
| Year 2 | Keeva D | Ibraheem M |
| Year 3 | Alys J | Adam Ch |
| Year 4 | Isabelle L | Camelia M |
| Year 5 | Max M | Ethan C |
| Year 6 | Ella L | Zoya K |

Lunchtime Star Awards

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| Erin S | |
| Jenson S | |
| Elise K | |
| Abdullah M | |
| Reuel P | |
| Amarion B | |
| Izaak T | |

| Team Points | Claymills | Rosliston | Sinai | Trent |
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| Points w/e 15.2.19 | 195 | 265 | 235 | 265 |
| Position | 3 rd – 2 pts | 1 st – 4 pts | 2 nd – 3 pts | 1 st – 4 pts |
| First Half Spring Term 2019 | 10 | 18 | 15 | 20 |
| Running Total | 54 | 89 | 59 | 75 |

The winning team for the first half of the Spring Term 2019 is Trent. The team will be rewarded with a non-uniform day on Friday 1st March 2019 – “Wear something blue”. Well done to all of the team!

| Spring Term 2019 Event | Date and Time |
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| School closes for half term holidays | Friday 15 th February 2019 |
| School re-opens for Spring Term 2 | Monday 25 th February 2019 |
| Year 4 Swimming Commences | Tuesday 26 th February 2019 |
| Nursery Forest School Session all morning | Tuesday 26 th February 2019 |
| Choir Club Mr Mansfield | Wednesday 27 th February 2019 |
| Year 3 Forest School Session | Thursday 28 th February 2019 |
| Football Match v John of Rolleston Primary School Home Game – Come along and support the team! | Thursday 28 th February 2019 |
| Trent Non-Uniform Day | Friday 1 st March 2019 |
| World Book Day | Thursday 7 th March 2019 |
| Red Nose Day | Friday 15 th March 2019 |
| School Closes for the Easter Break | Friday 12 th April 2019 |