



Shade School News

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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Attendance

Our attendance target is 95%

Below is the average attendance achieved by each class since the start of the year

Whole school attendance is currently: 93.2%

YN— 92%

YR— 93.2%

Y1— 94.6%

Y2— 94.1%

Y3— 94.2%

Y4— 91.9%

Y5— 94.1%

Y6— 91.4%

The weather finally seems to be turning to Spring and we are loving spending more time outdoors at school. Lots of summer dates have been added to the back of the newsletter this time.

Miss McCracken

Spring 2 at Shade!



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Nursery and Reception News

Nursery have been doing lots of measures, making comparisons using length, weight and volume. We have enjoyed a range of cooking from noodles with soy sauce, honey garlic and ginger, to thumb print jam biscuits. We have talked about different sorts of food and made our own 'magic porridge pot'.

This term **Reception** have been fascinated with learning all about pirates; we found out about famous pirates through history and what life at sea was like in the 17th and 18th Centuries. The children

have written all about pirates, made treasure maps and even did some pirate yoga! We finished the term with a mini topic about the Christian festival of Easter. We learned about the Easter Story and Easter traditions around the world, as well as making edible Easter treats and running a hot cross bun cafe in our role play area. It really has been a half term jam packed with learning!

Key Stage One News

Year One have had another busy term! We have continued to strengthen our reading and writing skills and as we move into the Summer term look forward to applying these more independently. In English we've explored poetry and have written our own 'Yumtime!' poems inspired by James Carter. In Maths we have developed our knowledge of number and can now solve addition and subtraction problems within 20. We have loved our Castles and Knights topic in History and look forward to our Skipton Castle trip next half-term! In Science we have had the opportunity to complete lots of fun experiments as part of our Materials topic. Thank you to all those parents who came into help us with our Dips and Dippers topic in DT!

This term **Year 2** have finished reading Dark by Lemmon Snickett. We have written the story and a letter from another character's point of view. In maths we have been focussing on multiplication and division, children can now begin to use TTRS to practice and get quicker at it. For our foundation lessons we have finished off looking at the Great Fire of London and we have begun to look at what it is like to live in hot and cold places. We are fascinated with Antarctica and already know a lot of facts.

Key Stage Two News

Year 3 have had a good term and produced some great work from the book Arthur and the Golden Rope. In Maths we have enjoyed the section on Fractions and have shown a good understanding of how to order and compare Fractions. Science has had us thinking about light and how we see things and how we need to protect ourselves from the sun. The children really enjoyed the gymnastic sessions on the large apparatus.

Year 4 have had another great half term. We have made good progress with our fractions in Maths and have investigated what mixed numbers and improper fractions are. In English, we have enjoyed reading poetry by Kate Wakeling, identifying poetic structures such as rhyming couplets and alliteration. We have had a go at writing our own poems too! In Science, we have learnt how sounds are made and how our ears work. The Sound workshop we took part in consolidated our learning and gave us lots of hands-on experience! In Geography, we have looked at what a climate is and the different types of climate around the world. We have also researched how humans affect climate and how we can help reduce climate change.

Year 5 have enjoyed studying two very different texts in English and guided reading this half term; The Highwayman and There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom. The former has resulted in some brilliant emotive love letters and 1st person narratives, whilst the latter has resulted in excellent class discussion (with lots of laughter). In maths, we have consolidated our knowledge of the relationship of fractions, decimals and percentages and delved deeper into perimeter and area. In Science, the class have conducted their own research on the life cycles of different types of animals and in DT, we spent a full day building our very own marble runs! Year 5 also organized and ran our fantastic 'Run in red' for Comic Relief event which proved to be a major success.

Year 6 have had a half term to remember! Our lakeside residential was amazing - all the children had a fabulous week, gave their all in the activities, and developed their independent skills, confidence and resilience. We are very proud of them all!

In class we have been continuing with our work on the geography of North America and have started to look at the history of the civil rights movement, which we will continue after the easter holidays. In English, we have been reading Wonder and working on recounts, dialogue and story writing. We will be moving on to creating biographies of famous people from the civil rights movement and new reports. In Maths, we have been working on ratio and decimals, as well as practising our key skills to prepare for the SATs. In Science, we have completed our work on living things and their habitats, including growing mould for our work on micro-organisms.



Shield Winners

Reception

Edmund
Nellie
Jayden H
Jacob
Rowan

Year 1

Carys
Florence
Carys
Alfie
Ophelia

Year 2

Henry
Huey
Henry
Iris
Henri

Year 3

Dexter
Edith
Mirren
Franky
Mulan



Year 4

Savannah
Zachary
Bella
Ava-Grace
Rowan

Year 5

Autumn
Esme
Farran
Jack
Alfred

Year 6

Ava
Lincoln
Alvian
Mollie

Coming Up

Nursery—Next term we will be looking at where food comes from and have a trip to a farm. We will be looking at some Julia Donaldson stories and making a start on phase 2 phonics.

Reception- Our topic for the next half term is 'Dinosaurs'. We will be starting Level 4 phonics. In Maths we will be working on knowing our number bonds to 10 and developing our understanding of numbers up to 20.

Y1- As we enter the Summer term, we will begin to look at letter writing in English using the text 'Beegu' to support us. In Maths we'll look at Place Value to 50, Length and Height and Mass and Volume before moving on to Multiplication and Division. In Science we'll start our Plants topic and in Geography we'll be exploring the weather where we live.

Y2- Next term, we will look more closely at where these hot and cold places are. In Maths we are finishing off multiplication and division before looking at length and height and fractions. In Science we will start to look at habitats and in DT we will be completing our cookery unit - Sensational Salads.

Y3- Next term we will be reading the book Leon and the Place Between, a book about magic. Mass and Capacity is the first Maths subject followed by Fractions again. In Science we are looking at skeletons etc and History is the time of the Saxons and Vikings.

Y4- After the Easter holidays, we will continue to learn about fractions and will link them to decimals. We will be reading "The Firework Maker's Daughter" in English and using it as a basis for our own writing. Our Science topic will be Habitats and in History we will be learning about the Mayans.

Y5-We will be exploring decimals and percentages as well as the perimeter and area of shapes in Maths and in English, moving onto our new class book, The Highwayman. We will also be continuing to study rivers in geography.

Y6- After Easter, we will continue with our work on decimals, fractions and percentages and angles. We will also be preparing for the SATs; practising arithmetic and reasoning questions. Our next Science topic is the circulatory system; where we learn about the heart, lungs and blood circulation.

Diary Dates

Diary Dates—cut out and keep each time

Please be mindful that this list is added to throughout the year.

2023/24 Academic year

Fri 22nd Mar	School closes for Easter
Mon 8th April	School opens for Summer 1
Wed 10th Apr	Y1 to Skipton Castle
Tues 16th Apr	Shrek Trip to Hippodrome
Wed 17th Apr	Y3 to Ramsden Farm
Fri 19th Apr	Y4 Class Assembly
Wb 22nd Apr	Y4 Parents in school week
Wed 24th Apr	Y4 Bikeability
Thurs 25th Apr	YN Trip to Thornton Hall farm
Wed 1st May	Y6 to the Fire Station
Wed 1st May	Y3 Trip to York
Thurs 2nd May	Y5 to the Fire Station
Fri 3rd May	Reception Class Assembly
Fri 3rd May	Music Workshop— Year 3 and 4
Mon 6th May	May Day bank holiday
Wed 8th May	Y5 Theatre trip to Blackpool
Wb 13th May	SATS week
Fri 17th May	Y1 Class Assembly
Fri 17th May	Pyjamarama— Book Trust Charity Day
Wb 20th May	Y6 Parents in school week
Tues 21st May	Y4 Trip to Tropical World
Thurs 23rd May	School closes for half term
Fri 24th May	Inset day
Mon 3rd June	School reopens for Summer 2
Wed 5th June	Y6 Bikeability Group 1
Thurs 6th June	Y6 Bikeability Group 1
Thurs 6th June	YN Teddy Bears Picnic
Tues 18th June	KS2 Hike to the Pike— Date 1
Wed 19th June	Y5 Transition Morning to THS
Mon 24th June	Y1 to Towneley Park
Tues 25th June	KS2 Hike to the Pike— Reserve Date
Wed 26th June	Reception trip to Cliffe Castle
Tues 2nd July	Y2 to Hardcastle Crag
Wed 3rd July	Shade Shines— 7pm at the Hippodrome
Fri 5th July	Y6 Transition Day to THS
Fri 5th July	Whole school transition day
Mon 8th July	EYFS Sports Day 2pm—parents welcome
Tues 9th July	KS1 Sports Day 2pm— parents welcome
Tues 9th July	Y6 Bikeability Group 2
Wed 10th July	Y6 Bikeability Group 2
Mon 15th July	KS2 Swimming Gala
Tues 16th July	Y6 Treat Day— afternoon and evening
Thurs 18th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly 2pm
Fri 19th July	School Closes for Summer Holidays

Diary Dates Key

Whole School

Mixed Groups

Nursery

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6