

# SHOBNALL PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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"You never look good trying to make someone else look bad."

#### Dear Parents/Carers.

As you will be aware, this week has been Anti-Bullying Week and the theme has been 'Reach Out', encouraging children to speak out about bullying. Whether this is speaking out to a trusted adult or reaching out to another person who is being bullied; if we can challenge bullying, we can change it. It is coordinated by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, which is based at leading children's charity the National Children's Bureau and their aim was for this year's anti-bullying week to be about empowering teachers and children to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. Our school has been promoting this message in abundance this week through our curriculum and the children have been involved in a series of reflective and essential activities. You can read more about what has been going on in classes, that started off with Odd Socks Day on Monday, in this week's 'Shobnall Showcase'. Thank you to all the children and staff for supporting this event!







Today is Children in Need and we have had a 'spotty' non-uniform day to support this event! Thank you to everyone who has donated! Once we have totalled up the final amount, we will let you know how much we have raised!

Have a great weekend everyone – look after yourselves and ENJOY! We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday!

#### FIFA World Cup - Qatar 2022

We were thrilled to be invited by Burton Albion Community Trust to St George's Park on Tuesday! The FA invited local schools to support the England Men's team as they began the first leg of their journey to Qatar for the 2022 FIFA World Cup.

It was an early start for our children who needed to arrive for 7.30am in time to wave the team off on their journey. BACT then hosted a tournament and our team were very proud to have come third out of 16 schools competing! Well done, children!







As the FIFA World Cup officially 'kicks off' on Sunday, with England beginning their campaign on Monday 21 November against Iran, we thought this would be a great opportunity for our children to mark the start of the tournament in their own way. As kick off is at 1pm, the children (and staff) will be able to watch the game in their classrooms. For those who are not so keen, some alternative activities have been planned for them to engage in whilst this is happening. The children are also welcome to come to school in their PE/World Cup/sports kit on Monday too! Let's hope England make this a tournament worth remembering. Come on, England!



#### **Year 2 Class Assembly**

Year 2's Class Assembly was full of fire this week! Not literally (although we had enough rain on Thursday to put out a roaring fire) but because they told us all about The Great Fire of London! It was remarkable to hear how much they had learnt and how much knowledge they had embedded. An amazing job Year 2, well done! After this fantastic start to our class assembly season, Year 6 are looking forward to welcoming visitors to their class assembly on Thursday 1 December 2022, which will begin just after 9.15am.

#### Shobnall PFA Christmas Market - Friday 2 December 2022, 3.30 - 5.30pm

Please look out for a letter, which has been emailed to you, outlining in more detail the plans for the forthcoming PFA Christmas Market on Friday 2 December 2022! The PFA are working tirelessly to make this a fun and enjoyable event for our community. We hope that you can come along and support.

There will be plenty of festive fun to be had by all, including mince pies, hot chocolate, street food, stalls, games, Santa's Grotto and a performance from the school choir!

The PFA wish to remind you of these few requests for help in preparation for the event:

♣ The PFA will be running a 'street food' stall at the Christmas Market. If you are able to donate any cakes or Asian food, the PFA would be very grateful if this could be labelled with ingredients to support those with allergies. Also, if possible, please could you



indicate if it is suitable for vegetarians or not? They ask that these are donated on the morning of the Market, so that all food products are as fresh as possible and will ensure that any containers are returned to you the following week via your child. Also, you are more than welcome to bring your own containers along to the event should you wish to have a 'takeaway' option!

- If you have any unwanted items for the bric-a-brac stall (i.e. toys, books, games etc.) that are in good condition, the PFA are happy to start accepting these donations in school from now. They would also like to ask for any outgrown or unwanted children's clothes that are in good condition, as they will also be running a second hand children's clothing stall.
- ♣ The choir will be performing in the hall at around 4.15pm! We look forward to hearing their singing, which will get everyone in the festive mood! They will be singing songs that they have been practising for the JTMAT Christmas Concert. There will be no Young Voices Choir Club on this night.
- ♣ On the day itself, the children (and staff) are allowed to come to school in non-uniform! Christmas jumpers are permitted! The charge for this is for pupils in EYFS and Key Stage 1 to bring in a chocolate item (value of at least 50p) and pupils in Key Stage 2 to bring a bottle!
- ♣ Santa has confirmed his attendance! Tickets will be available soon (further details and prices to follow).
- If anyone would, or knows of anyone who would, like to hire a table at a charge of £10 for their own stall, please let the school office know and we can pass on details to the Chair of the PFA.

#### **Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies**

As a partner academy in JTMAT, we are seeking to appoint enthusiastic, motivated and caring Lunchtime Supervisors to join our evolving organisation. Teamwork is an essential part of our school ethos and the successful candidate will work within a small team alongside other Lunchtime Supervisors. If you are interested in applying, please click on the link below to access the full advert and application form.



#### JTMAT Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

Please note, CV's are not accepted. Only fully completed application forms are to be submitted for shortlisting. Please review our Recruitment Pack on the school website before submitting your



application. The closing date is 12 noon on Friday 25 November 2022 and interviews are scheduled to take place on Tuesday 6 December 2022. We look forward to hearing from you!

#### **Online Safety Tips**

The Call of Duty (CoD) series is a worldwide gaming phenomenon, with millions of copies sold every year. While

2021's release, Vanguard, wasn't quite as well received, this latest entry – Modern Warfare II – is proving to be hugely popular. A sequel to the recent Modern Warfare reboot (and not to be confused with the original Modern Warfare 2, from back in 2009), the game is an online shooter which features – unsurprisingly – extreme violence, rendered in realistic graphics. Amid the explosions and potential political nature of the plot, there's much for parents to be aware of. In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as offensive chat/messaging, in-game purchases and addiction.



#### Try an Air Fryer

If you want to cut down on your energy usage, consider getting an air fryer for cooking meals. Air fryers use a lot less energy than a big oven to run and is a lot quicker. As well as cutting down your energy consumption, you could also save money on your gas and electricity bills. Need some inspiration? Check out these air fryer recipes you can try.



#### **School Uniform Exchange**

Please don't forget the *school uniform exchange*, which will continue this year! There is a box situated by the gate on the school car park for any parents who have items they wish to donate. Please could we ask that these are cleaned and in good condition before placing in the box! Amy Roobottom continues sorting and collating this. As previously stated, if you wish to contact Amy to ask what is available that you might be in need of, please contact the school office via shb-office@shb.jtmat.co.uk and we will ensure this is forwarded to her.



#### **BBC Children in Need Mascot Race**

As you will be aware from last week's newsletter, on Monday 7 November 2022, Year 6 took part in a mascot race for Children in Need with Pudsey, Billy and Betty Brewer, Rammie and Freddie the Falcon. BBC Radio Derby, who organised the event, have sent us a link to watch the race which you can access below:



#### https://fb.watch/gT2c3vklJg/

Many thanks to everyone for supporting our 'spotty' non-uniform day today and for your very kind donations! Once we have tallied up the total, we will let you know!

#### Hot Lunch Options – 21 to 25 November 2022



# **SHOBNALL SHOWCASE!**

Let's have a sneaky peek as to what has been going on in our classrooms this week...

#### **Nursery**

We have had another busy, fun-filled week at nursery! Our week started with Odd Socks Day to kick start celebrating Anti-Bullying Week and we had lots of fun creating patterns to design a pair of odd socks. We listened to a range of stories that promoted kindness and discussed ways of how to be kind. We linked this with our Elmer learning and created an 'Elmer Caring Contract.' We can't wait to share it with everyone! We also thought about what makes Elmer special and unique and talked about what makes us unique and special. We then created a lovely 'I'm special Elmer chain.' Last, but not least, we have had lots of fun baking Elmer biscuits too. They were a lovely treat to have at the end of our day!

#### Reception

On Monday the fun began as the children arrived in an array of odd socks. They were all very excited to point out the different characters and patterns between them and even used some of their subitising skills to describe what they noticed!

The children shared the wonderful story, 'Peanut Butter and Cupcake,' by Terry Border which generated a wonderful discussion on friendships.



They have also joined in with a variety of activities linked to being kind and caring to others including creating our own class caring contract using fingerprints to make a beautiful heart design.

When carrying out some role play scenarios the children showed their fantastic understanding of what it means to be a good friend.

On Friday there was an explosion of yellow as the children celebrated Children in Need by wearing something yellow. They all listened carefully and had a very sensible discussion about the importance of Children in Need.

#### Year 1

Year 1 have created a caring contract where they decided how to show kindness to their friends. They also looked at different scenarios on how to be kind and what is unkind. In PSHCE we have looked at how we are different and similar. They had great discussions this week!

The children have also started to write their own version of the Three Little Pigs. They have also been finding fact families in Maths and have blown me away with their effort and knowledge. In Geography, we have enjoyed learning about different seasons and weather change through the year. Well done, Year 1!

#### Year 2

This week was Class Assembly week for Year 2, and what a week it was! In English, the children have been continuing to work hard on learning about the features of a diary entry and have even written parts of their own diary as if they had experienced The Great Fire of London. In the afternoons, Year 2 have continued with their artwork, learning about Thomas Gainsborough. The children were able to create a colour wheel that demonstrated change in shade, as well as experimenting with 'washing' and 'feathery strokes'. Of course though, the most noticeable event this week was the fantastic class assembly that the children did. All of the children were absolute superstars and did so well in remembering their lines. They made Miss Martin-Mills and Mr Adams extremely proud - well done Year 2!

#### Year 3

Well, Year 3 have taken this week in their stride and have shown how resilient they can be. They have persevered to complete their work to the best of their ability, while Miss Barker has been off poorly, and all of the Year 3 staff could not be prouder. In English, they have continued their learning about diary entries and Mary Anning - the fossil hunter. The children are very much looking forward to writing their final piece next week. In the afternoons, the children have done some French (learning about different body parts), Computing (stop frame animations) as well as some Art. The children are extremely excited to create their family portraits next week once they have honed all their artistic techniques.



#### Year 4

Year 4 have had a wonderful week this week. In maths. the children have finished off their addition and subtraction unit and it has been great to see the children really applying their knowledge of addition and subtraction to solve multi-step problems. In English, the children have written a newspaper report for the Shobnall press that Mr Bishop has been a late call up to Gareth Southgate's England squad and will be flying out to Qatar at the weekend in preparation for the first match on Monday! Across the curriculum, we have conducted a science experiment looking at the effect different liquids have on our teeth. Finally in Forest school, the children have once again been using the bow saws to cut wood, have made a Roman crown out of natural materials and have created their own mud painting of Roman numerals! Another great week Year 4 well done!

#### Year 5

Year 5 started the week thinking about anti-bullying and how to be a good friend. They created thought provoking posters and a caring contract that has been displayed in our classroom.

In Computing and English, the children have spent time practising and refining their researching skills using the iPads and applying their understanding to help them find out about the impact of single-use plastics. The children were using the search engine Ecosia and were excited that their research was helping to plant more trees across the world!

In Maths we have started our new multiplication and division topic and the children have been developing their understanding of multiples and factors (whilst using their times table facts to help them). They have made a great start and understand the importance of being able to recall times table facts fluently.











#### Year 6

This week the children in Year 6 have been busy learning all about anti-bullying and specifically ways children can 'reach out' to one another for support. The week started off with constructing a caring contract for our classroom, which we all signed with a handprint. Music has linked nicely with Anti Bullying Week also, as the children have been learning about a fusion of music styles and the mood and tone of different genres to create a piece of dance to deliver a 'shadow' performance to one of the chosen songs. We took inspiration from a group called Attraction Juniors who performed an anti-bullying audition on Britain's Got Talent. In Maths, we have been learning about fractions and remained resilient throughout the long processes to add and subtract mixed numbers. We had a visit from Mrs Barnes, the Maths teacher from JTHS, who taught us an introduction to algebra. We felt relieved and more comfortable learning about it when Mrs Barnes told us, 'they are just numbers in disguise don't be afraid'.

#### **Reading Corner**

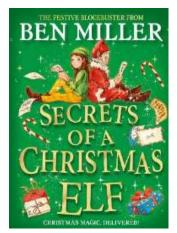
This week's recommended read is for children aged 9+...

#### Secrets of a Christmas Elf

Written by Ben Miller

Christmas magic, delivered! The brand-new festive blockbuster from Ben Miller - the perfect stocking-filler for all the family.

It's business as usual in the run up to Christmas at Santa's Workshop - and toy elves Holly and Tog are busy making gifts for children all around the world. But Father Christmas isn't feeling well, and Holly is worried that things won't be finished on time. Inventing a robot to help out with festive duties seems



like a fantastic idea, until Father Christmas is KIDNAPPED and a race against time to save him and the big day begins. Funny and heart-warming, this beautifully illustrated pocket-sized story shows the importance of family at Christmas, and all year round.

#### **Head Teacher's Awards**

Reception	EVERYONE!	
Year 1	Ayesha F	Reggie P
Year 2	Maksym B	Layla N
Year 3	Zaef R	Rehaan K
Year 4	Lily J	Bhuvana S
Year 5	Freya B	Amina H
Year 6	Keeva D	Archie G

#### **Lunchtime Star Awards**

Reception	Rupert M
Year 1	Inaaya A
Year 2	Jackson B
Year 3	Momina R
Year 4	Fatimah A
Year 5	Millie C
Year 6	Archie G

#### **Team Points**

Team Points	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
Points (Week Ending 18.11.22)	129	95	167	107
Position	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 Points	4 <sup>th</sup> – 1 Point	1 <sup>st</sup> – 4 Points	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 2 Points

Running Total	10	3	11	6

## **Autumn Term Diary Dates**

Event	Date/Time
World Cup – Children in Sports Kit	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2022
Year 5 Whitemoor Lakes	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2022 to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>
	December 2022 Inclusive
Year 6 Class Assembly	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2022, 9.15am
JTMAT Christmas Concert	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2022
PFA Christmas Market	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2022
Christingle	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
EYFS Nativity	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2022, 9.15am
EYFS Nativity	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2022, 9.15am
Key Stage 1 Nativity	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2022, 9.15am & 2.15pm
Year 3 Cosy Christmas Celebration	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2022, 9.15am
Christmas Lunch –	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
Christmas Jumper Day for Children!	·
Whole School Trip to Pantomime – Snow White	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2022, 10.00am
and the Seven Dwarfs at Lichfield Garrick	
School Closes for Christmas	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022

## **Diary Dates 2022-2023**

Event	Date/Time
School Closes for Christmas	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
INSET Day	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023
School Reopens for Pupils	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
Year 6 Laches Wood Meeting for Parents	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023, 3.30pm, Year 6
	Classroom
PFA New Year Movie Night	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
Young Voices 2023	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
Year 6 Laches Wood	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2023
PFA Valentine's Disco	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
School Reopens for Pupils	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
PFA Easter Bingo	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
School Closes for Easter	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
School Reopens for Pupils	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023
Borough and Parish Elections – School Closed	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
Bank Holiday – King's Coronation	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
Key Stage 2 SATs Week	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
School Reopens for Pupils	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
JTMAT INSET Day	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
School Closes for Summer	Friday 21st July 2023
INSET Day	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
INSET Day	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023

