



SHOBNALL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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"Life is like a camera. Just focus on what's important, capture the good times, develop from the negatives and if things don't turn out – just take another shot."

Dear Parents/Carers,

We can't believe how quickly this term is going and we are hurtling towards half term at a rate of knots! As always, there has been a lot happening in school which you can see in the 'Shobnall Showcase' further on in the newsletter. There is also a lot planned in the upcoming weeks, so please keep your eye on the diary dates at the end of each newsletter and ensure that you keep checking your inbox for any important information that is sent to you by email!

I'm sure many of you have begun to take advantage of and enjoy the lifting of some restrictions as outlined on Step 3 of the Roadmap! This is great news for us, although with the recent and rapid rise of cases arising as a result of the B.1.617.2 variant (first discovered in India), we must all ensure that we remain cautious. We are keeping our procedures as they are in school and would ask that parents continue to maintain social distancing when dropping off and collecting children and wear a face covering. Any changes to the rules over the forthcoming weeks will be shared with you and we still remain optimistic that the Government will proceed with Step 4 of the Roadmap on 21 June. Thank you for your continued support and patience with this.

Whatever it is you are doing this weekend, venturing out and about or watching the Eurovision Song Contest, enjoy and stay safe! We look forward to seeing you on Monday!

PFA Relaunch!

Due to the restrictions as a result of the pandemic, the PFA have not been able to run or hold any events for a significant amount of time now. We are looking to relaunch our PFA in September and the children have a number of potential projects in mind that they would love fundraising to contribute to!

As well as needing a new Chair, we would love some fresh faces to join the group who not only have some new and creative ideas for fundraising but that much needed commitment and enthusiasm to support all aspects of the PFA!



Ideally, we would love to hold a meeting before the end of this academic year to agree roles and responsibilities and get some provisional dates for traditional and new fundraising events in our school calendar for September! If anyone is interested in becoming part of the PFA, call the school office or email shb-office@shb.itmat.co.uk and we can begin to collate a few names of people who would like to be involved. Please get in touch!

National Survey of Children – The Big Ask

You may remember from the beginning of this half term that we mentioned **The Big Ask!** The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

We would encourage all parents to support their children to [complete this survey](#) if you haven't done so already. Parents, carers and those working with children are also invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back. The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve.

Heroes Stamp Design Competition



Thank you to all our children who have submitted entries for the Royal Mail's Special Stamp Competition! We will keep our fingers and toes crossed that they are viewed by Her Majesty the Queen and that at least one is chosen for the final eight!

We will keep you updated if we hear any news and good luck to all of our children!

New Term Dates & INSET Days 2021-2022

We are starting to plan and prepare our school calendar for next academic year and thought you might like to be given advance notice of when our INSET days are scheduled to take place, in addition to the holiday dates for 2021-22 which can be viewed at <https://shobnallprimaryschool.co.uk/diary-dates/> and at the end of the newsletter.

Random Acts of Kindness (RAOK)

Mr and Mrs Burton have generously set up RAOK, giving out food donations to people in our local area that may be struggling and running low on food items. If anyone is able to help out with donations, please contact the school office at shb-office@shb.jtmat.co.uk, listing the items you are able to provide and they will ensure it is forwarded to Mr and Mrs Burton. Current items that they are in need of are: tea, coffee, sugar, hot chocolate, long life milk, cereals, crisps, personal care items, toilet rolls, cleaning products, washing powder, tinned meals such as meatballs, hotdogs etc., other tinned items such as baked beans, spaghetti hoops, soups etc., pasta and pasta sauces. Many thanks if you are able to support in any way.

School Uniform Exchange

Please don't forget the *school uniform exchange*! There is a box situated by the gate on the school car park for any parents who have items they wish to donate. 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. Also, you will find the full catalogue of items available attached to the newsletter, very kindly prepared by Collette Phillips, which will be updated every few weeks!



Hot Lunch Options – 24 to 28 May 2021

Lunch options for the forthcoming week are:

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Monday	Cheese & Tomato Pasta & Garlic Bread	Jacket Potato, Cheese & Beans	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Tuesday	Sausage Roll	Cheese & Onion Roll	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Wednesday	Roast Chicken, Stuffing and Gravy	Quorn Roast, Stuffing and Gravy	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Thursday	Chicken Curry, Rice & Naan Bread	Veggie Curry, Rice & Naan Bread	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Friday	Fish & Chips	Cheese & Onion Pasty	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch

SHOBNALL SHOWCASE!

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

Nursery

What an exciting week it's been in Nursery! Having listened to the story of the Gingerbread Man, we investigated what would happen if the Gingerbread Man had decided to swim across the river, instead of getting help from the fox! This got us observing closely and generated lots of wonderful language...

"He's getting fat! The water has gone inside him!" Bradley

"He's changing colour! He's gone white!" Inaaya

"The body is turning spotty!" Evie

"He's all squishy and mushy!" Noah



We decorated our own Gingerbread Men, and at Forest School used lots of natural resources to make small and large scale representations.

The highlight of our week, however, was on Tuesday when we took delivery of over 30 knitted woollen sheep donated from David Wilson Homes. The children had a great time participating in a 'Where's Woolly?' hunt and were all presented with a book from Burton Library as a thank you for taking part. As we get to keep these delightful, knitted animals this will now become an annual event which I'm sure the children will grow to love!

Reception

It has been another fun week in Reception with the children exploring The Gingerbread Man story. They have had a great time building bridges using various materials to help the Gingerbread man cross safely. They have also used great imaginative skills to create their own Gingerbread characters thinking carefully about different features. The children also worked very well in groups when they made their own version of the Gingerbread Man. We had some creative ideas and lots of wonderful vocabulary.

The Gingerbread Man themed continued during Forest School as the children used natural materials to create Gingerbread characters and bridges. They also used peelers to carefully whittle a stick.



The children have certainly enjoyed their Maths learning this week- to count on from a given number. They have explored this in numerous practical ways using a range of resources and are looking forward to developing this further next week.

Year 1

Year 1 have been working extremely hard with their writing and are beginning to be able to write at much greater lengths. This week we have been trying to make our story drafts as interesting as possible. Our favourite adjectives of the week have been flabbergasted, astonished and ecstatic! The children have been superstars in their Power Maths and grasped the concept of position and direction exceptionally quickly. In our afternoon lessons we are loving our Music topic of 'Stage, Soundtrack and Screen: Annie'.

We have been listening to 'It's a hard knock life', 'Maybe' and 'I think I'm going to like it here', finding the beat in each song, talking about the different rhythms and describing how the different songs make us feel. We can't wait to watch the original movie of Annie next week and sing along to all of our favourite songs!

Year 2

In year 2 we have had a brilliant week. In maths we have been recapping key areas such as addition and subtraction. In English we have started to learn about an explanation text and have also written a diary entry. This week we started a new Science topic all about plants, and children have started an experiment to find out the best conditions for a plant to grow. Well done year 2 for a fantastic week!



Year 3

This week in class, Year 3 have been story writing based on 'How to train your dragon' and have been describing the events of last week when they found a dragon egg! They have been developing their stories each day alongside reading the book. Year 3 have also had lots of fun at Forest school,

where they took part in lots of fun activities such as building hill forts outside. They didn't let the rain stop them! In Maths, Year 3 have almost finished their fractions topic and have been looking back at what they have learnt so far. Well done Year 3, it has been a lovely week!

Year 4

Year 4 have handed their Egyptian projects in this week and they have been incredible. I have been so proud of the effort children and parents have made to create such wonderful informative work. The pupils have started to write an Egyptian narrative this week using vocabulary from our history topic. The children have started very well and they are mostly concentrating on choice of vocabulary and also the impact their writing will have upon the readers.



Year 5

Year 5 have kicked off the week by learning how to measure angles with a protractor during our Maths lesson. I am super impressed with how all the children have shown resilience in order to grasp this trickier concept. In English, we have been learning all about a little girl called Alma, who comes across a mysterious-looking shop with lots of dolls inside. They have begun to think about writing a diary entry from her perspective. Finally during our DT sessions this week, the children have begun to create their own marble mazes.

Year 6

Year 6 have shown great determination and resilience skills this week as they have completed a mock SATs week. This has been a great opportunity for pupils to consider their strengths and areas for

improvements before they begin transitioning to high school. In English, we have been writing our own discursive texts on a topic of our choice, ensuring the opinions are balanced before giving our own opinion in the conclusion. Rehearsals are underway for our performance of Treasure Island later on this term, the children are working hard memorising their lines and using their best pirate voices!

Reading Corner

This week's recommended read is for children aged 9 to 11...

The List of Things That Will Not Change

by Rebecca Stead

Newbery Medal winner Rebecca Stead writes books that are rich with ideas and acknowledge her readers' intelligence and intuition.

Eight-year-old Bea is the central character in her latest novel, and, typically, there's lots going on in her life. She divides her time between her mother's and father's homes following their divorce and visits a therapist who helps with her anxieties. The story culminates in her father's wedding to his new partner, Jesse. As ever, we move back and forth in time, and discover much about Bea's inner life as well as her daily routine in New York. Relationships with family and friends propel the story and there are some real shocks and surprises for readers, plus a gradual understanding of the things that will never change for Bea. It's beautifully written, a thoughtful, sensitive account of growing up and growing resilience and trust.



Head Teacher's Awards

Reception	Toby N	Ben S
Year 1	Finlay B	Safa Q
Year 2	Ellie W	Asra Z
Year 3	Mohammed A	Azaan W-M
Year 4	Ameen A	Ashton M
Year 5	Charlie J	Adam Ch
Year 6	Rocco G	Haidar A

Lunchtime Star Awards

Reception	Harry K
Year 1	Momina R
Year 2	Kian S
Year 3	Isabelle K
Year 4	Ashton M
Year 5	Pia P
Year 6	Zoe C

Team Points	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
Points (Week Ending 21.05.21)	98	91	91	68
Position	1 st – 4 points	=2 nd – 3 points	=2 nd – 3 points	4 th – 1 point
Running Total	28	25	18	21

Summer Term Diary Dates

Many of our dates for the summer term remain under review due to adhering to government guidance and advice. Some of our traditional calendar fixtures may not be honoured. We will keep you informed of our arrangements and procedures.

Event	Date/Time
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 28 th May 2021
INSET Day	Monday 7 th June 2021
School Re-Opens	Tuesday 8 th June 2021
New Parents Meeting – Nursery & Reception	Thursday 10 th June 2021, 5.00pm
Year 5/6 JTMAT Football Tournament	Thursday 24 th June 2021
Year 6 – John Taylor High School Induction Day 1	Friday 25 th June 2021

Year 6 – John Taylor High School Induction Day 2	Monday 28 th June 2021
Year 6 – John Taylor High School Induction Day 3	Tuesday 29 th June 2021
Year 2, Year 5/6 JTMAT Athletics Tournament	Wednesday 30 th June 2021
Year 4/5/6 Recorded Production of Treasure Island Available	Week beginning Monday 5 th July 2021
End of Year Reports to Parents	Monday 5 th July 2021
EYFS/KS1 Sports Day	Wednesday 7 th July 2021 – AM
KS2 Sports Day	Wednesday 7 th July 2021 – PM
Optional Parent Consultations	Thursday 8 th July 2021
Year 5/6 JTMAT Cricket Tournament	Monday 12 th July 2021
Year 6 – DeFerrers Induction Day	Tuesday 13 th July 2021
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 16 th July 2021 – AM
Year 6 Leavers' Party	Friday 16 th July 2021 – PM
Year 6 Enterprise Fair	Monday 19 th July 2021
School Closes for Summer	Wednesday 21 st July 2021
INSET Day	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
School Reopens for Pupils	Thursday 2 nd September 2021

Diary Dates 2021-2022

Event	Date/Time
INSET Day	Wednesday 1 st September 2021
School Reopens for Pupils	Thursday 2 nd September 2021
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 22 nd October 2021
INSET Day	Monday 1 st November 2021
School Closes for Christmas	Thursday 16 th December 2021
INSET Day	Friday 17 th December 2021
School Reopens for Pupils	Tuesday 4 th January 2022
Young Voices	Thursday 27 th January 2022
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 18 th February 2022
INSET Day	Monday 28 th February 2022
School Reopens for Pupils	Tuesday 1 st March 2022
School Closes for Easter	Friday 8 th April 2022
School Reopens for Pupils	Monday 25 th April 2022
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 2 nd May 2022
Key Stage 2 SATs Week	Monday 9 th May 2022 – Friday 13 th May 2022
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 27 th May 2022
INSET Day	Monday 6 th June 2022
School Reopens for Pupils	Tuesday 7 th June 2022
JTMAT INSET Day	Friday 8 th July 2022
School Closes for Summer	Thursday 21 st July 2022



26 MILE WALK - HEART OF ENGLAND WAY
WARDS 11 AND 12
OF BIRMINGHAM CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

24TH JULY 2021

WWW.JUSTGIVING.COM/HEARTFORHUDSON

A group of 9 friends will be taking on the task of walking 26 miles with me to raise funds for Wards 11 and 12, Birmingham Children's Hospital.

Please read our story and if you can, please sponsor us for this fantastic cause and help enhance the hospital experience for sick children like Hudson





Transforming the
Trent Valley



#GetWild

at Eton Community Park, Burton DE14 2DL

Leave your parents at home and join us for a morning of exploration and play in the great outdoors. Activities may include: den building, minibeast hunting and much more!

Monday 31st May - Thursday 3rd June
10:00am -12:00pm



Free thanks to support from
The Commissioner's People Power Fund.



Suitable for ages 8 -15 years,
Booking Essential!



For more information please contact the
Wildchild team.
✉ getwild@staffs-wildlife.org.uk
☎ 01889 880100
www.thetrentvalley.org.uk/events.php



The Transforming the Trent Valley Landscape Partnership Scheme is working together with 14 organisations to protect and enhance the natural and cultural heritage of the Trent Valley. The scheme is led by Staffordshire Wildlife Trust.

Shobnall Primary School - School Uniform Exchange



Boys Shorts Grey Age 3 years



Boys Winter Navy Coat Age 3 years



7 x Boys School Jumpers - V-Neck and Crew Neck Age 3 - 4 years



Boys Polo Top Age 3 - 4 years



3 x Short Sleeve Shirts Age 3 - 4



4 x Trousers Age 3 - 4 years



3 x Girls Pinfores Age 3 - 4 years



5 x Girls Skirts Age 3 - 4 years



Boys Jumper Age 4 years



Boys Shorts Age 4 year



6 x Girls Polo Tops Age 4 - 5 years



2 x Girls Pinfores Age 4 - 5 years



Girls PE Hoodie Age 4 - 5 years



2 x Girls Trousers Age 4 - 5 years



2 x Girls Pinfores Age 5 years



2 x Girls Skirts Age 5 years



Boys Trousers Age 5 years



2 x Boys Shorts Age 5 - 6 years



V-Neck Jumper Age 5 - 6 years



3 x Girls Polo Tops Age 5 - 6 years



Summer Dress Age 6 years



Trousers Age 6 Years



2 x Trousers Age 6 - 7 years



2 x Pinfores Age 6 - 7 years



2 x Trousers Age 7 years



5 x Pinfores Age 7 years

Skirt Age 7 years



Girls Winter Coat Age 7 years

4 x Skirts Age 7 - 8 years



8 x Boys Trousers Age 7 - 8 years

6 x Boys Polo Tops Age 7 - 8 years

3 x School Jumpers Age 7 - 8



School Cardigan Age 7 -8



5 x Short Sleeve Shirts Age



Trousers Age 8 - 9 years



Pack of School Shirts Age 9 years



2 x Boys School Shorts Age 9



5 x Boys Trousers Age 9 - 10 years



PE Outdoor Kit Age 8 - 10 years



2 x Boys Shorts Age 9 - 10



2 x School Jumpers Age 9 - 10



School Cardigan Age 9 - 10



2 x Short Sleeve Shirts 9 - 10



School Trousers Age 10 years



School Jumper Age 11 - 12



School Shirt Age 11 - 12 years



Girls School Shoes 7.5 F



Girls School Shoes 8.5F



Girls School Shoes 8F



Boys School Shoes size 11



PE Pumps size 8



Girls PE Pumps size 9



PE Pumps size 10



Girls PE Pumps size 11



Girls PE Pumps size 12



PE Pumps size 12



PE Pumps size 13



PE Pumps size 2