



# SHOBNAL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*"You don't always need a plan. Sometimes you need to breathe, trust, let go and see what happens."*

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another week, another newsletter! As I write, I'm actually wishing time would slow down just a little as with just over three weeks left we are hurtling towards the end of the school year at a rate of knots! The term seems to be going so fast! There is so much going on in school (as you will see from the 'Shobnall Showcase') and so much still left to do! I hope we can fit it all in...



We would like to thank you all again for adhering to the school's expectations regarding our COVID policies and procedures. Everyone's contribution supports our community in keeping them safe and in preventing further transmission of the virus. We have come such a long way and it would be a shame if we became complacent at this stage, particularly as we are so close to the end of term. Let's keep going for a little while longer!

As always, we hope that you enjoy the weekend, stay safe and we look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday!

## End of Term Arrangements

You will be aware from last week's newsletter that in light of restrictions still being in place, we have had to revise some of our arrangements to reflect current guidance. Unfortunately, we won't be able to have spectators in school for Sports Day on Wednesday 7 July, although this will still go ahead for the children. They will still be able to participate as they will compete in their own bubbles and each bubble will have its own set of equipment. We will be recording the races and events and uploading to our Twitter page, along with an announcement of the overall winners at the end of the day for parents. Please could children come to school in their usual PE kit, suncream applied and hats (in the event of hot weather) and with a full water bottle. If we have to cancel due to bad weather, we have scheduled a reserve date of Wednesday 14 July.



Year 6 will have received a letter today outlining arrangements for their end of year events. As the children spend their last few weeks at Shobnall Primary School, we are hoping we can make this as memorable as possible for the children before they transition to high school. Despite the restrictions, we have planned a series of different events for them to look forward to. All details can be found in the letter.

## Works on Reservoir Road

Our next door neighbours have asked if all parents and staff could not park on Reservoir Road between the garage and garden gate for two weeks beginning Friday 2 July. Major building works are being carried out to their garden and wall which will involve access being required by heavy plant machinery, which could be dangerous for pedestrians. Many thanks for your co-operation and support with this and remember that the Albion Pub are always happy for parents to use their car park and walk down to drop off and collect their children.

## Lilly's Walk for Darcey – Fundraising for Birmingham Children's Hospital Charity

Lilly in Year 3 has decided to walk 16 miles for her best friend, Darcey! She will go twice around Carsington Water in Derbyshire to raise money for Birmingham Children's Hospital who treat Darcey. Darcey was born with epilepsy and has damage to her brain which can impact her in many ways.



Lilly and Darcey met in Reception at school and have been best friends ever since! Lilly is always looking out for Darcey and has learnt about how to help her if she has a seizure. She came up with the fundraising idea herself!

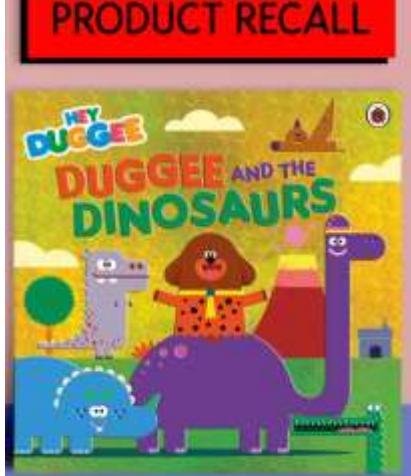
If you are able to make a donation to support this amazing act of kindness, please do so via Lilly's JustGiving page <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/k-goring3v>.

### Bird Brained Bird Houses Winner

Congratulations to Elliot in Year 1, who has been selected as one of the winners of the Timber 2021 Bird Brained Bird House Competition! As part of our Forest School work, the children were challenged with designing a bird box! Elliot and a parent will be able to visit the Timber 2021 site the day before the festival is open to the public to see his bird box once it has been made! Congratulations to Elliot!



### Product Recall: Hey Duggee and the Dinosaurs



We would like to make you aware that a manufacturing fault has come to light that could pose a choking hazard to small children. The safety of customers, big and small, is a top concern and all customers are being encouraged to return their copy to the store they purchased from for a full refund. You do not need a receipt to do this.

### 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.jmat.co.uk](mailto:shb-office@shb.jmat.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 still 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. 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.jmat.co.uk](mailto:shb-office@shb.jmat.co.uk) and we will ensure this is forwarded to her. There are currently no changes to the catalogue of items available attached to the newsletter, very kindly prepared by Collette Phillips.



## Could you Foster?

Nexus Fostering is a well-established and highly regarded fostering agency, based in East Midlands, who are urgently seeking full time and respite foster carers throughout the area. The agency is rated Ofsted 'Outstanding' in all areas and place a high premium on the quality of support and care that they provide to every one of the foster carers and, in turn, the children and young people placed with them.

To find out more about becoming a foster carer or a respite carer in Derby and the surrounding areas please call 0800 389 0143 or email [foster@nexusfostering.co.uk](mailto:foster@nexusfostering.co.uk).



## Hot Lunch Options – 28 June to 2 July 2021

Lunch options for the forthcoming week are:

	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Monday	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread	Jacket Potato, Cheese & Beans	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Tuesday	All Day Breakfast (Pork)	All Day Breakfast (Quorn)	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Wednesday	Roast Chicken, Stuffing and Gravy	Quorn Roast, Stuffing and Gravy	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Thursday	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Naan	Cheese & Onion Pasty	Cheese or Ham Packed Lunch
Friday	Fish & Chips	Jacket Potato, Cheese & Beans	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

The Nursery children have had a wonderful week and as always, have been busy accessing the learning opportunities available to them with such enthusiasm and independence! This week we talked about holidays in the past compared with today. Looking at lots of black and white photos, the children were highly amused by the bathing machines, clothing worn and the old cameras used to capture these memorable moments! We have also continued to learn lots of new action songs which Mrs Farrington has had the pleasure of watching via Seesaw, as children have performed them at home. Very well done to everyone, on another brilliant week!

## Reception

The children have had a fun week in Reception learning about odd and even numbers in maths. They have enjoyed carrying out lots of activities including making odd and even monsters to show their understanding of this.

The children have also discussed different items to pack for a holiday and thought carefully about the different places they could visit as they quickly identified not all destinations would be sunny and hot! They then completed some wonderful writing to show what they would pack working hard to apply their phonics skills.

They have also been exploring junk modelling and used a variety of materials to create different items that can be found at the seaside. These included fish, ice creams, sandcastles and shells. The children were very imaginative and developed their models by thinking carefully how they could improve them.

## **Year 1**

Record-breaking resilient readers...that is what the Year 1 children have been this week! Miss Martin-Mills and the rest of the Year 1 team are so incredibly proud of every single child in the class for the effort they have been putting into their reading recently. Miss Martin-Mills has never seen a class that is so excited and eager to get onto chapter books! Keep up the fantastic effort Year 1 and don't forget - if you read you will succeed!



In other areas of the curriculum, Year 1 have been just as successful! In Maths the children are on their final unit of learning - money. In Art the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the work of Henri Rousseau and have been exploring abstract art, colour mixing and sketching from real life experiences. Year 1 had another successful Forest School session, and the return of the mud-kitchen was a great - and messy - success!

## **Year 2**

Year 2 have had a great time at the Adventure Farm this week! Children and staff enjoyed spending time outdoors together. Children took part in soft play and outdoor activities, an 'Amazing animals' workshop and got the opportunity to feed animals. It was a fantastic day for all!



## **Year 3**

Year 3 have had a very fun and interesting time this week! The children have been preparing to perform the Jabberwocky by Lewis Carroll off by heart on the stage to the rest of the class! They have had lots of fun preparing props, masks, and drawings for this, I look forward to seeing their performances! The children have also been doing lots of computing work, learning all about coding. They have all been keen to learn all about this, creating their own sequences and discovering all the different ways of coding on Purple Mash! Well done Year 3, it has been a lovely week!



## **Year 4**

The children in Year 4 have enjoyed this week as they have been designing a juggling ball in design and technology. The pupils have used a tie-dyeing technique to create a pattern on the material before sewing the juggling ball together. The children have continued to work hard this week when planning a newspaper report about an Egyptian artefact which was found on the school field. The pupils interviewed Mr. Adams about the incident and the pupils will include quotes in their articles.

## **Year 5**

The pupils in Year 5 have been working really hard this week, especially in their assessments. They have learnt about the importance of self-esteem in PSHE with Mr Carlin and have been preparing for sports day by improving their throwing techniques! Wednesday saw Year 5 begin their Batik artwork by considering colour for their geometric designs and completed their watercolours of early Islamic art. The pupils learnt about the process of metamorphosis in certain insects as well as learning about important religious figures, this week Rabbi Jonathan Sacks. Keep up the good work Year 5!





## Year 6

This week, Year 6 have continued their learning on the Ancient Greeks, comparing the democratic system to ours and identifying a range of historical sources to gain a deeper understanding of the Ancient Olympic Games. Our Treasure Island rehearsals have stepped up a gear now as we are beginning to use props to enhance our performance. In preparation for high school, we have been fortunate to take part in some workshops covering stress, worries and how to deal with them.

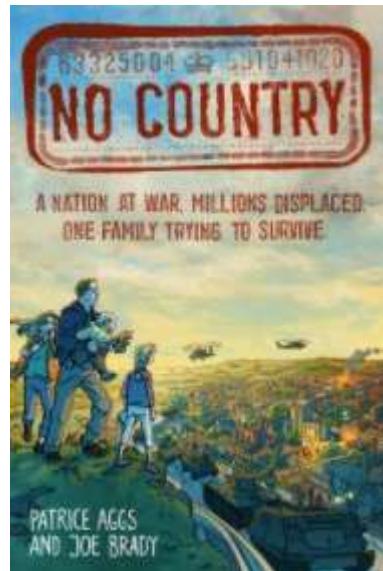
## Reading Corner

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

### No Country

by Patrice Aggs and Joe Brady

Set in an unspecified time not too dissimilar to now, and in a country that strongly resembles our own, this tense, gripping graphic novel demonstrates just how quickly civilisation can fall apart. Bea lives with her dad, big sister and little brother; her mother has already had to flee their country, which is in the midst of a civil war, the forces of the state fighting the rebel Free Kingdom movement, with civilians bearing the brunt, enduring food shortages, power cuts and bomb attacks along with casual brutality from both sides. The family know they'll have to leave soon, and the book describes the events that trigger their decision to go and live as refugees. The story describes what it's like to live in a society where trust has collapsed, and where everyone is scared and desperate. But it underlines too the power of family to hold together during the most difficult times and the importance of hope. Powerful and original, it makes for thought-provoking reading, text and illustrations carrying a very strong message.



## Head Teacher's Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Baaqir A	Kailen S
<b>Year 1</b>	Fatiha N-M	Fatima S
<b>Year 2</b>	Paige L	Tabitha B
<b>Year 3</b>	Amelia A	Beatrix M-B
<b>Year 4</b>	Owais H	Zoya H
<b>Year 5</b>	Louie S	Safi S
<b>Year 6</b>	Tristian L	Manyal S

## Lunchtime Star Awards

<b>Reception</b>	Amara I
<b>Year 1</b>	Hadi K
<b>Year 2</b>	Faryal S
<b>Year 3</b>	Safa U
<b>Year 4</b>	Elise K
<b>Year 5</b>	Harry F
<b>Year 6</b>	Nosheen S

Team Points	Claymills	Rosliston	Sinai	Trent
Points (Week Ending 25.06.21)	105	110	135	99
Position	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 2 points	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 3 points	1 <sup>st</sup> – 4 points	4 <sup>th</sup> – 1 point
Running Total	10	6	10	4

## 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.

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>
Nursery Induction (Half Intake)	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2021, 1.30pm – 3.00pm
Reception Induction (Half Intake)	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2021, 1.30pm – 3.00pm
Year 6 John Taylor High School Transition Day	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2021, All Day
Year 4/5/6 Recorded Production of Treasure Island Available	Week beginning Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
End of Year Reports to Parents	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
Nursery Induction (Half Intake)	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2021, 1.30pm – 3.00pm
Reception Induction (Half Intake)	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2021, 1.30pm – 3.00pm
EYFS/KS1 Sports Day	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 – AM
KS2 Sports Day	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 – PM
Year 6 Paget Transition Day	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2021, All Day
Optional Parent Consultations	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
Year 5/6 JT MAT Cricket Tournament	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
Year 6 DeFerrers Transition Day	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2021, PM Only
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 – AM
Year 6 Leavers' Party	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2021 – PM
Year 6 Enterprise Fair	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
School Closes for Summer	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2021
INSET Day	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021
School Reopens for Pupils	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021

### Diary Dates 2021-2022

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>
INSET Day	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2021
School Reopens for Pupils	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2021
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021
INSET Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021
PFA Christmas Fair	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2021
School Closes for Christmas	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
INSET Day	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021
School Reopens for Pupils	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
Young Voices	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
INSET Day	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022
School Reopens for Pupils	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2022
School Closes for Easter	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
School Reopens for Pupils	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022
Key Stage 2 SATs Week	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
School Closes for Half-Term	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
INSET Day	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2022
School Reopens for Pupils	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022
JT MAT INSET Day	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2022
School Closes for Summer	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022



# SCAM ALERT

## Covid digital passport scam

June 2021

A new email scam about Covid is circulating and we want to advise you what it looks like and what steps you can take.



Your vaccination status is obtained FREE through the NHS App, website or by calling the NHS on 119.

Send suspicious emails to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) at [report@phishing.gov.uk](mailto:report@phishing.gov.uk).

You may receive an email which looks similar to the one shown. Clicking on the link takes you to a convincing but fake NHS website that asks for personal and payment details. (for an admin fee).

The website has since been taken down, however, as with many scams of this nature, there will be others.

More information can be found on the gov.uk website;  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/demonstrating-your-covid-19-vaccination-status-when-travelling-abroad>

**[www.ourwatch.org.uk](http://www.ourwatch.org.uk)**

Neighbourhood Watch Network is a charity registered in England & Wales, CIO no: 1173349

# COMING SOON



## FREE

# Holiday Activities and Food

for children and young people aged  
5-16 who get free school meals\*

\*Eligible children and young people will get a letter from school to register

Registration opens 5th July 2021

[staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities)



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