



Shorne C of E Primary School

TERM 1 NEWSLETTER



We have been seizing opportunities this term, with a range of new clubs, hosting visitors such as the Kent Fire and Rescue Service, Jess Fleischer and The British Red Cross, and supporting our community with Harvest donations, as well as some incredible learning! A huge thank you to our team at FOSS who have been very busy raising funds, and to families for supporting this!

Mrs Prest and Mr Mallinson

OUR PUPIL LEADERS!

We are very proud to introduce you to our Pupil Leaders! Above are our Pupil Council - years 1-6 are represented, which allows every child's voice to be present in meetings with Heads of School. We look at key questions and areas to develop in meetings and facilitate discussions in our classes to bring everyone's ideas to the table. Below are our Head Girl and Head Boy Mia and Yusuf,

and our Deputy Head Girl and Head Boy Ella and Aidan. They will also form part of the Pupil Council and lead on key events, representing the school in many ways. Our Faith Leaders support Collective Worship, lead prayers and promote spirituality across the school. There are more leadership roles to come to help children spearhead change and truly make a difference to the school community and beyond.





Clubs & Activities



GARDENING CLUB

Gardening club have been working hard on a Tuesday lunchtime to clear the garden area at the front of the school. The whole area is to be redesigned and become a Queen Elizabeth memorial garden.

The children have shown determination and resilience in pulling up weeds, cutting down plants, pulling up roots and clearing the moss from the tarmac area.

Over half term FOSS are coming into school to help clear some more of the area so that we can plant up some spring bulbs early next term.

There will be a grand opening once it is complete.

Mrs Thornley



POKEMON CLUB

There is a great sense of community in our new KS2 Pokémon Club, which runs at lunchtime on Fridays. The children have been learning how to play the card game, battling each other, trading cards under supervision and enjoying all things Pokémon! All KS2 children are welcome to attend.

Mrs Bath

CHOIR

Choir meet on a Tuesday after school and are learning the songs ready to perform at the O2 for the 'Young voices' event. We are awaiting date confirmation for this. The children are really enthusiastic and bring a positive sparkly energy to the school with their upbeat singing. We will also be starting Christmas choir after the half term at lunchtimes.

Mrs Thornley

KEY DATES TERM 2

2nd November - 1st day of Term 2

4th November - FOSS Krispy Kreme Sale

14th November - Odd Socks Day and Anti-Bullying Week

14th - 18th November - Bag 2 School Week collecting textile recycling

18th November - Children in Need

25th November - Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Fayre Donations

3rd December - FOSS Christmas Fayre

7th December - Pantomimes (EYFS and KS1 Woodville and KS2 in school)

8th December - FOSS Christmas Disco

Friday 9th December - Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

14th December - Christmas Lunch

16th December - Last Day of Term (1.30pm finish)

Further events dates, including Parent Consultations and Nativities, will be confirmed as soon as possible.





HARVEST DONATIONS

We took the food and goods that families kindly donated in celebration of the Harvest Festival on Monday 17th October to the Riverside Centre. Our faith leaders from Year 6, Louie and Selina, helped take the food to the food bank, they were very grateful for all our donations. It was a wonderful demonstration of Community and Respect, our Christian Values. Your donations make a huge difference to so many people in our local community. A huge thank you for your generosity!

Mrs Bull



GOD AND THE BIG BANG

Three of our Year 5 team visited Rochester Cathedral to think, discuss and explore science and Christianity in relation to the creation of the Universe. With some huge thinking questions and discussions about what created the energy that created the Big Bang, the day was fascinating, and gave the children an opportunity to reflect on both faith and science, and how they exist together. The team represented the school impeccably and thoroughly enjoyed the day!

Mrs Prest



WHAT'S OUR ACCELERATED READER WORD COUNT?

So far this academic year, we have read a grand total of:

2, 656, 214 words!

Our readers who have read the most words per class are:

Ari in Y2 - 8889 words

Teddy in Y4 - 136, 905 words

Matthew in Y3 - 107, 852 words

Isaac in Y5 - 281, 542 words

Aarna in Y6 - 128, 146 words





RABBITS IN RECEPTION

Rabbits have settled into life at Shorne brilliantly, and what a busy term it has been! We have been learning all about ourselves and our new friends. We have explored our senses - having lots of fun making our own scented playdough, tasting different flavour crisps and guessing what they were, exploring feely bags, making our own sensory feely bags and using string telephones.

We explored bones while reading the story 'Funnybones' and had great fun handling a spine, a skull and a foot, drawing skeletons, looking at x-rays and being doctors - bandaging each other up!

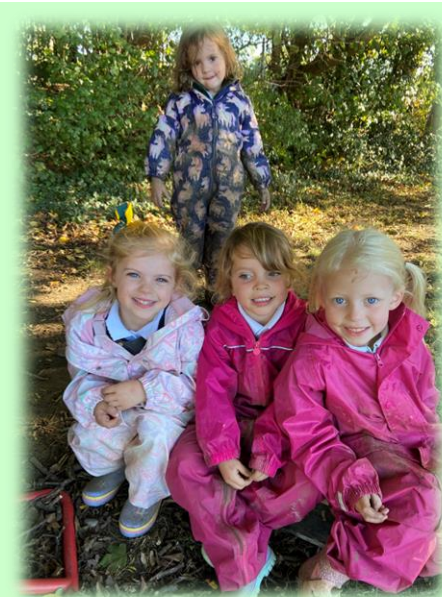
We enjoyed the story of Elmer - colour mixing, mask making, story retelling and talking about differences. We even made our own Elmer elephants from milk bottles.

We have loved exploring the forest - building dens, climbing trees, making scarecrows, leaf printing, pattern making and of course hot chocolate drinking!

Over the last week we have been looking at healthy eating and reading the story of 'Supertato'. This story sparked lots of imaginative play and the children had great fun making traps to catch the evil pea and their very own supertatoes.

On top of all this we have been counting, making repeating patterns and learning letter sounds which we have been blending together to read words. The end of a very busy first term saw parents invited into a reading café and into the classroom to look at all the children's wonderful work.

Mrs Thornley





SPORT NEWS

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS

On Saturday 8th October, a team of children were selected to represent Shorne School at a football tournament held at Riverview School. The team played really well together, not conceding a single goal in all 6 of our group games. We went on to the semifinals, where unfortunately we were knocked out on penalties. A great display from all of the children involved, demonstrating excellent teamwork.



On Wednesday 12th October, another football tournament was held at Riverview for our girl's football team. The girls improved greatly over the course of the tournament, growing in confidence and really enjoying themselves. We were unfortunate not to go through the group stages, but the girls are looking forward to more games in the future.

Mr Woodcock

KEY STAGE 1 RUGBY TASTER

On Tuesday 13th September we were very lucky to have a visit from Old Gravesendians RFC. The coaches played some wonderful games with the children, all while promoting the RFU's key values of TREDs (Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline, Sportsmanship). The children involved all had lots of fun with a couple agreeing to join the club on a Sunday morning.

KEY STAGE 2 DANCE

KS2 have been very fortunate this term to have had their Dance PE sessions led by our dance specialist Mrs Hunt. She has created some wonderful schemes of work which in turn helped create some amazing dance routines. As a result of this, the children's knowledge and dance vocabulary this term have been exceptional. Mrs Hunt will be returning next term to teach dance to KS1.



DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

A team of year 3 and 4 pupils took part in the Trust Dodgeball Tournament held at Saint Georges C o f E School. The team, Olivia, Teddy, Teddy, Tommy, Cece, Eva, Beth, Olivia, Jude and Brock, performed admirably and were great representatives of the school.

Although results didn't go our way, the whole team demonstrated excellent teamwork sportsmanship and respect for the opposition. Massive shout out to Beth, who even lost a tooth after the first game!

Once a term, there is a different sporting competition being run by the Trust. The points gained at each event are recorded and will help crown the winning school in July. We currently sit in 7th position. Term 2 will bring a Netball Tournament for years 5 and 6!

Mr Farnell



**JESSICA FLEISCHER OLYMPIAN VISIT**

Thursday 29th September was a particularly busy day. Children in Years 1-6 were very excited to welcome GB Kickboxing Champion Jessica Fleischer. Jess led the classes in a fantastic whole-body HIIT (High-Intensity Interval Training) workout before leading a hugely inspiring assembly.

The children worked exceptionally hard prior to the event, practicing the activities required and receiving a vast amount of sponsorship too. This money will be reinvested into the schools PE equipment to further enhance our PE curriculum. Prizes for sponsorship will be distributed to children once they arrive.

Jessica's taught us to "Dream big, Take Small Steps and Never Give Up!".

We would like to thank Jess and Sports for Schools for visiting! We are hoping to secure a different athlete to visit next year!
Mr Farnell

**THE LAVER CUP TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

Year 5 (and our recently elected Head Boy and Head Girl) were lucky enough to take a trip to the O2 for the 2022 Laver Cup (a tennis tournament between Europe and The Rest of the World). The highlight of the day was seeing the awesome foursome of Federer, Nadal, Djokovic and Murray on court together. The children behaved impeccably, loved the atmosphere (and the zip-cam!) and had a great time.

Mr Mallinson





SEND COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to those who attended the SEND Coffee morning this term. The SEND Roadshow with SEND Hub and IASK was very informative, and hopefully useful too. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to chat as professionals and parents, all together in a relaxed environment, and offer support to one another. Our next coffee morning will be on **Wednesday 16th November**, where our Speech and Language Therapist will be presenting. Everyone is welcome, whether you have a child with SEND or not. We hope to see you there!

Mrs Doerr



GIANT AFRICAN LAND SNAILS

As part of a Trust-wide initiative, Year 5 took delivery of several African Land snails from children at Saint George's Secondary Phase who had nurtured and homed them. Although currently small, they are expected to reach adult size (about 20 centimetres) in 6 to 8 months. All the children will be involved in looking after them, which includes feeding them eggshells, vegetation and spraying them to keep them hydrated! Updates on their growth will be posted on our social media platforms so watch that space!

Mr Mallinson



FRENCH CONVERSATION CORNER

We have been learning French using an online tool called Language Angels! Why not practice a few key phrases?

Bonjour (bon-zhuor): hello/good day

Bonsoir (bon-swa): good evening

Salut (sah-loo): hi

Enchanté(e) (ohn-shon-tay): nice to meet you

Au revoir (oh-ruh-v-waa): goodbye

À bientôt (ah-bee-en-toe): see you soon

À demain (ah-de-mah): see you tomorrow

Mrs Bath



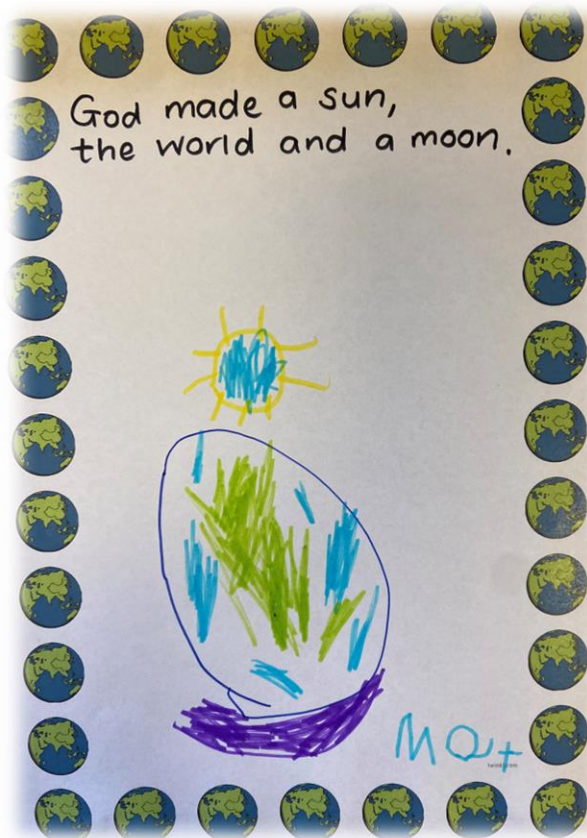


FAITH CORNER



At Shorne, our Christian Values underpin all that we do and stand for: **Resilience, Community and Respect.** Spirituality and exploring this is important to us, as is showing love to all of our community, no matter what faith, background or gender. We are all one.

God in Heaven
hear my prayer.
Keep me in
thy loving care.
Be my guide in all I do.
Bless all those who love me too.
Amen.



WEAR RED DAY

Wear Red on Friday 21st October and Show Racism the Red Card! Send pictures or you wearing red to office@shorne.kent.sch.uk.





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