



Shorne C of E Primary School

TERM 6 NEWSLETTER - WISHING YOU A WONDERFUL SUMMER!



What a final term! We have had a super successful summer fete, disco dancing to remember, Trust Sports Day and our Shorne Sports Day, the incredible Year 6 Production and so much learning and fun! Oh - and a heatwave to boot! The children and staff have demonstrated incredible levels of resilience, strength and hard work this year, as reflected in their school reports. A huge thank you!

Mrs Prest and Mr Mallinson

YEAR 5 GLAMPING RESIDENTIAL

"In June we had a class residential; this included us having bell tents erected on the school field so we could have a two-night sleepover. We also had a day trip to Bedgebury to take part in Go Ape and some team-building exercises. After we came back to school for a BBQ, cooked by Mr Mallinson, we had a massive water fight, created tie-

dye t-shirts and roasted marshmallows on the campfire. We also celebrated Ryan's birthday with doughnuts for everyone. We had a great time." *Henry and Ryan in Year 5.*

We would like to say a huge thank you to all the children who attended for their impeccable behaviour and courage demonstrated during the trip, and also all the adults who gave up their time to support the children.





SHORNE SPORTS DAY

Shorne's annual sports day returned this year. Unfortunately, the weather prevented us from celebrating it fully, but the children had a great time nevertheless! Reception and Key Stage 1 had the honour of kicking off Sports Day races, with support from some amazing Saint George's Secondary School students who helped support for the day. With some encouragement, cheering and support from all, each child took part in two races. A special mention goes to Sidney in Year 1 and Jude in Year 2, who managed to win both their sprint and egg and spoon races!

After a very short break, Key Stage 2 danced their way out to the track, led by a very enthusiastic Mr Mallinson! They took part in the same events and worked incredibly hard in the warming temperatures. With music blaring and the electric atmosphere and support from all the children, each child displayed fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship. A special mention to Ibbby in Year 6 who once again managed to win both the egg and spoon and sprint races she took part in.

After this, a truly wonderful family picnic occurred. It was a brilliant sight to see so many happy smiling children and families all in the same place.

Overall, the day was very special and enjoyable. Well done all!

Mr Farnell



HEALTHY LIVING

6 Sun Safety Tips



Apply sunscreen **before putting on clothes** to prevent missing any spots



Keep an eye on **sunscreen expiration dates** – ingredients lose effectiveness over time



Try to use **water-resistant sunscreen**, which offers protection if you sweat or swim



To protect your lips, **apply lip balm** that contains sunscreen



Choose sunscreen that offers **broad-spectrum (UVA and UVB) protection**



Wear UV-blocking **sunglasses** and a **broad-brimmed hat** to protect your eyes from sun damage

Sources: CDC, American Academy of Dermatology



RESPECT – COMMUNITY – RESILIENCE

We are very proud to announce our updated Christian Values to be launched in September 2022! We worked with the entire school community, including children, families, staff and governors, to identify what we felt the focus of our Christian Values should be. Respect stays as one of the school's values, and all groups held this value with the highest regard. Strengthening community has been a school priority for us this year and will continue to be, and we were proud to hear the children suggest the notion of togetherness and community as something that encompasses all Christian Values. Building resilience following the challenging times we have all faced and continue to face has been identified as a Christian Value, and as one of the drivers that will underpin our curriculum too. We feel these three values, and the bible teachings and learning opportunities that go alongside them, will support us in our vision to equip our children with the resilience and mindset needed to succeed - both now and in the future.

KEY DATES TERM 1

1st September - 1st day of Term 1

5th September - Year 1
Welcome Meeting 3.30pm

8th September - Year 2
Welcome Meeting 3.30pm

9th September - Year 4
Welcome Meeting 3.30pm

12th September - Year 3
Welcome Meeting 3.30pm

15th September - Year 5
Welcome Meeting 3.30pm

16th September - Year 6
Welcome Meeting 3.30pm

20th October - Last day of Term 1

Further events dates will be confirmed as soon as possible.



AN INVITATION TO OUR TERM 1 WELCOME MEETINGS!

We warmly invite you all to our Welcome Meetings in Term 1. Parents from each class are invited into the hall to hear all about our updated vision and values and what's going on in the school from the Heads of School, and then be invited into your child's classroom to meet their new class teacher and ask any questions you may have. Dates for each meeting are to the left of this invitation.

We are so looking forward to welcoming you all back and to discussing how we can all work together to support your children to aim high, develop a growth mindset and become resilient and respectful members of the community!

All the team at Shorne

WHAT'S OUR ACCELERATED READER WORD COUNT?

As a school this year, we have read a grand total of:

24, 831,451 words!

This is an increase of 9,492,267 words from end of last term.

For more information about Accelerated Reader, which is used by many children from Years 2-6, click [here](#).





RABBITS IN RECEPTION

Rabbit class have been very busy this term. Our topic has been animals, so we started the term off enjoying a variety of stories about 'Elmer the Patchwork Elephant.' Elmer is different to all the other elephants, and we talked about differences and not everyone being the same. We explored how artists who have no arms can be amazing artists by learning to paint with their feet. We had a go at being artists and drawing with our feet. As a class, we painted a giant Elmer with our feet! This was very tricky but 'Rabbits never give up,' and the end result was stunning! We also had fun colour mixing by painting our hands two different colours then rubbing them together to see what colour we had made! Magic! We made Elmer masks, jungle scenes using cardboard boxes and plenty of imagination, written our own Elmer stories and whilst looking at the artist Kandinsky we created our own class Kandinsky inspired Elmer. We also enjoyed the story 'The Tiger who came to tea' and had our own tiger tea party where we made our own jam sandwiches.

In maths we have been using balancing scales to experiment with heavier and lighter. We had lots of fun playing with water to explore capacity and finding out how many cupfuls of water fill each container. We also explored length this term. We have been learning to use money - making up amounts to 10p using different coins. Every day for a week Mrs Thornley sold us real biscuits but we had to pay for them using coins of different values. We quickly grasped this - especially when we could actually buy real biscuits and stickers!

Our final term as Rabbits has been filled with lots of fun, smiles, laughter and sunshine!

Mrs Thornley



OUTDOOR LEARNING

The forest has sprung to life this term and the children have loved exploring the summer season in the forest! We have made clay faces to go on the trees, painted sticks a variety of colours to make decorative Elmer inspired mobiles, painted rocks 'Kandinsky style' and hidden these in the forest for others to discover.

We used more clay to create thumb pots and found daisies, dandelions, leaves and feathers to decorate the pots. We left these to dry before varnishing and using to store our forest treasures. Of course, there has been plenty of tree climbing, den building, mud pie making and bug hunting going on too!

Year 6 were challenged to build a waterproof den in teams which they all had to fit inside. This was then tested for effectiveness using a hose! The result was some very soggy children!

Mrs Thornley





TRUST STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

On Wednesday 13th July, 13 children from Shorne attended the Trust Storytelling Festival at Saint George's Primary School. Three teams from Years 1, 3 and 4 performed their stories to an audience of children from other Trust schools. The children were amazing, showing bravery, confidence and fantastic storytelling skills to retell their different stories. They were also a fantastic audience, listening to other children share their stories too. The children were respectful and well-mannered and represented our school fantastically well! Well done!

Miss Tyler



YEAR 2 LAND AHOY!

As part of our Land Ahoy topic, Year 2 have been looking at the effect plastic waste has on our oceans and the animals that live there. We learned that plastic can be used to make many different things, some of which make our lives better and some of which can only be used once. These are called single-use plastics. These are bad for the environment as most plastics are not biodegradable, which means that because plastic does not exist naturally, there is no way for living things to use it as food. Every year, almost 8 million tons of plastic waste (the same weight as 8 humpback whales!) ends up in our oceans and once it is in the ocean, it is very difficult to remove.

To make everyone aware of this issue, we created information posters explaining the importance of disposing of plastic responsibly or using alternatives and we used recycled bottle tops to create sea creatures that are affected by plastic waste.

Miss Whitbread





STAFFING UPDATE

We are saying **goodbye** and good luck to some members of our Shorne family at the end of this term:

Mrs Wellard has been with the school for 13 years, working in a variety of roles and most recently as one of our Office Managers. We would like to thank Mrs Wellard for her hard work and dedication to supporting the children and staff in the school, and to wish her well for the future.

Mrs Forbes has been an incredible asset to the school; her musical talents know no bounds! She has led the choir in a number of wonderfully successful events and gifted every child across the school the joy of music and song. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

Miss Tyler is moving on to pastures new at a school in Medway to develop her interest in leadership. We will very much miss Miss Tyler's energy and enthusiasm and wish her the very best in her new role, both professionally and as she gets married and becomes Mrs Edwards. Congratulations and thank you Miss Tyler!

We are saying goodbye to **Miss Hunt** in her role as a Teaching Assistant but are very pleased to say that she is continuing in her role as a specialist dance teacher for the school, whilst developing her dance business and working across the Trust. Thank you, Miss Hunt, for all the support you have afforded the staff and children.

We also say goodbye to our site manager, **Mr Day**. Whilst Mr Day hasn't been with us for long, we will certainly miss his smiles and kind wishes in the mornings, and the knowledge he shares with the community. We wish Mr Day all the best as we say goodbye.

With goodbyes come some **hellos** and **welcomes**!:

Miss Morgan is joining us as Year 3 teacher. Miss Morgan comes from a school within the Trust, and brings with her such enthusiasm and passion for teaching and learning, as well as a background in drama and a keenness for sport! We are very pleased to be welcoming Miss Morgan to the Shorne family.

Mrs Muller will be joining us as Office Administrator next term! Mrs Muller brings a wealth of administrative experience and a warmth and drive that we know will be highly supportive of children, staff and families alike. A huge welcome to the team!

We are currently recruiting for a site manager and are in the process of recruitment for further support staff; we will update you further in the new year.

May The Road Rise Up To Meet You



May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again,
May God hold you
In the palm of His hand.

Amen





YEAR 3 VISIT TO THE BEACH

On Friday 17th June, Year 3 travelled to Beltinge, near Herne Bay on the hunt for some fossils. We met the fossil man, Phil, and he showed us a range of fossils that he had found previously. We then went down onto the beach to hunt our very own fossils. Luckily, we all managed to find shark's teeth and Miss Tyler even found a very rare one - apparently it was millions of years old! The children thoroughly enjoyed hunting for these fossils, and to cool down, we even had a splash in the sea! A great day had by all and lots of memories made.

Miss Tyler and Miss Goodger



YEAR 3 VOLCANOES

Last week, Year 3 created their own volcanoes using an old bottle and paper. The children use papier mache to build up the outside of the volcanoes and then painted them. Once they were painted, we created our own effusive explosions using bicarbonate of soda, vinegar and washing up liquid. All of our volcanoes had great eruptions! We then decided to experiment an explosive volcano by using mentos and cola. We created a simply amazing explosion in the playground and the children thoroughly enjoyed it.

Miss Tyler and Miss Goodger



SUMMER READING CHALLENGE!

All children can access the Summer Reading Challenge, a national competition led by libraries. There are 2 ways to participate:

1. Visit your local library to collect a Gadgeteers pack for your child. Set a goal to read over the summer (6 books is the recommended goal). Borrow and read books (including eBooks and audiobooks) from the library to read. Children can collect incentives from the library for each book they read, and if they complete their goal, they receive a certificate and medal as a reward from the library for taking part.
2. Sign up online at: www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk. Set a personal reading goal and receive tips for accessing books for free at home. Log books read online on your child's personal profile, and 'unlock' incentives and an online certificate.



KENT BOWLS FESTIVAL

On Monday 18th July, during the hottest day of the year, a team of Year 3 and 4 students represented Shorne at the Kent Bowls Festival as part of the Commonwealth Games. The children spent the morning session learning the correct techniques, and then in the afternoon took these skills into different game scenarios.

The children had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed the experience (and the fact they were in an air-conditioned hall!). For some, this was the very first time they had picked up a bowl. By the end of it, you would not have thought this! Our team were excellent role-models and the confidence from each player grew and grew as the day went on.

Mr Farnell

TRUST SPORTS DAY

On Thursday 7th July, a team of Year 5 and 6 students went to Saint George's School to take part in a Trust-wide athletics tournament. Zachary kicked off the event with a brilliant 3rd place in the Year 5 boys' 800m race. Riley took a wonderful 1st place, and also 2nd place in the speed bounce and 200m respectively.

The Year 6 teams built on the successful start; a plethora of 2nd places helped propel the team total as Ibby (Girls' 200m), Mick (Boys' 100m and Nerf Throw), Brody (Boys' 800m), Samuel (Boys' Long Jump), Emily (Girls' Shot Put), Remy (Boys' Speed Bounce), Lucinda (Girls' Speed Bounce) and Elizabeth (Girls' Nerf Throw) performed amazingly. The year 6 boys 4x100m Team narrowly missed on a gold medal as the team were run down in the last few metres to take a well-earned 2nd place. A huge shout-out must go to Darcy and Chloe who both competed in the Year 6 events. The girls performed wonderfully against the other girls all who were a year older! One of the stars of the event for the Year 6 boys was Dominic, who powered clear of the field to win the boys 200m.

Overall, the teams performed admirably. It was always going to be difficult to win without a Year 5 Girls team, but we still performed with great courage and resilience. The Year 5 team placed 4th overall, the Year 6 Girls' team placed 5th overall and the Year 6 Boys' team placed 1st overall. These results enabled the Year 6 Team to place 2nd overall.

The teams performed excellently, and all should be proud of how they performed and conducted themselves. We look forward to building on this success next year.

Mr Farnell





Summer
CAMP'22

This summer break we want to continue providing support during the holidays so that you can enjoy the best time possible with your family!

Sign up for your summer support pack here:
www.witherslackgroup.co.uk/summer-camp22



THE FANTASTIC FRED SHOW

The whole school took part in a workshop, looking at ways to stay healthy and look after our mental health and wellbeing. Here is what the children thought:

"The Fantastic Fred show was fantastic. We learnt how to stay healthy. I thought Fred was funny." - Tommy, Year 1

"The Fantastic Fred show was great. We learnt that sleep and exercise are very important." - Mia, Year 1

"I really enjoyed Fantastic Fred. I found out that exercise is good for your body and your feelings." - Ivy, Year 2

"Fantastic Fred was really funny. I'm not going to use my iPad before bed time so I can sleep." - Lucas, Year 2

"Fantastic Fred taught us how to stay safe and healthy. Fred got his name from F for food, R for rest, E for exercise and D for devices." - Ted, Year 3

"Fantastic Fred was a really fun way to learn about mental health." - Riley, Year 5

"Fantastic Fred was entertaining. I enjoyed the things it showed and that anyone can have mental health problems." - Pearl, Year 5



SEND SUPPORT OVER THE SUMMER

The Witherslack SEND Group have announced that their Summer Camp support pack is returning this year so that they can continue offering advice and support to parents and carers of children with SEND over the six-week break.

By signing up you will be given access to a huge library of resources including videos, podcasts and downloads. They will also email you fun activity sheets for your child to enjoy over the holidays. Here's what topics you can expect to be covered:

- Top tips for going on holiday
- Managing sibling relationships
- Sleep support
- Helping a child in crisis
- Managing anxiety
- Changing routines
- Activities for building social and motor skills
- Creating fun adventures without the price tag
- Activities for primary/secondary aged pupils

Everyone who signs up will be emailed a link so that you can easily access the support materials at the click of a button. Please follow this [link](#) to sign up.

Mrs Doerr



IFIELD WORKSHOPS

This is the [link](#) to the parent brochure for the academic year 2022 - 2023 along with the booking forms. There are several excellent workshops and forums being held including; We are Beams, Sleep Solutions, Explore and Improve Social Communication Skills, Basics for Behaviour, Starting the Autism Journey, Autism in the Early Years, Understanding Dyslexia, Anxiety & Autism and Autistic Girls - exploring difference.



GOODBYE AND THANK YOU YEAR 6!

We are so very proud of our Year 6 Leavers - the children have shown incredible resilience and perseverance during their time with us. They all have so much to look forward to as they continue their journey in the next stage of their education. Thank you, Year 6 - there are great things ahead for you all!

YEAR 6 AVON TYRELL

On Monday 27th June, Year 6 travelled to Avon Tyrell for a week packed full of activities. The class took part in kayaking, high ropes, raft building and more! The weather all week was brilliant, and we all enjoyed our time there, challenging each other to leave our comfort zones and working well as a team. The week culminated in our disco, dancing the night away. A great week had by all. A huge thank you to all the staff who gave their time up to support the children during the week - Mr Woodcock, Mrs Hooper, Mrs Peeke, Mrs Hunt and Mr Mallinson.



YEAR 6 'ROCK BOTTOM' PRODUCTION

On Tuesday 19th July, Year 6 and some members of KS2 performed the end of year production, 'Rock Bottom,' at Saint George's Secondary School. The performance was brilliant, with excellent displays of talent from all who took part. The show was a great success - well done to all the children who performed, but especially the Year 6 children who learned all their lines, choreography and songs fantastically. A huge thank you to Mrs Forbes for all of her hard work getting the children singing beautifully, Mrs Hunt who choreographed all the dances and to Mrs Hooper, for practically single-handedly making all the props!

Mr Woodcock





A MESSAGE FROM FRIENDS OF SHORNE SCHOOL (FOSS)

FOSS have had a great last term. The Hawaiian school disco was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the children and it was lovely to see them all enjoying the party with their friends. We managed to raise £315.00!

The Summer Fete was incredibly successful - a fantastic turnout from parents and the local community. We even had a visit from Kent Fire and Rescue Service! We also raised over £2000!! This money will massively help our goal of improving the children's learning environment and resources needed to support their learning. We were so grateful to all the helpers who gave us their time to run stalls, set up and clear up. Without them it just would not have been possible, so thank you.

As some of you may already know, FOSS have launched a lottery. This has been successful so far, and our projected profit annually currently stands at £1,102. We currently have 27 supporters so, if you want to be in with a chance of winning the jackpot of £25,000, please do sign up.

As we look forward to starting a new term, we would love to gain some new parents. If you feel that you could donate some time to us, however much or little, please do get in contact.

We really appreciate everyone's support and look forward to a new year with lots of exciting things planned for the children.

Have a great summer!

Love FOSS





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children and young adults
living in Kent

“ I feel better about myself and know
I can cope when things are difficult,
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You Are Not Alone reconnects young people with the things they have missed out on during the pandemic, helping develop emotional wellbeing and resilience to make a difference now, and for the future.



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