

# A message from Miss Hewett

I am delighted to be back at Shorne after what feels like a long 18 months off. Seeing lots of friendly faces on the gate has been very welcoming and it has been lovely getting to know the new children in our school. I am extremely proud of everything we have achieved and all that we hope to achieve in this academic year. But we cannot do it without the support from our dedicated staff members, governors, volunteers, local community, and of course the families and children that we care for.

It is imperative that we work closely together to ensure the children continue to thrive and be happy at Shorne by creating a positive relationships between school and home. All members of staff and governors work extremely hard to ensure that your child receives the best education in an environment which is safe and welcoming.

I hope you all have a relaxing half term break and Harley and I look forward to seeing you when you return on the 1st November. I would like to share this poem with you as I feel it is very poignant...

"Be thankful when you don't know something, for it gives you the opportunity to learn."

"Be thankful for each new challenge because it will build your strength and character."

"Be thankful for your mistakes, they will teach you valuable lessons."

"Be thankful when you're tired and weary because it means you've made a difference."

Author unknown

## Staffing update

We would like to wish Mrs Goodger all the very best as she commences maternity leave and prepares for baby number two to arrive. Whist Miss Goodger is on maternity leave, Mrs Bath will cover her duties and support the teaching of Years 5 and 6.







## **Amazing Ivy!**

Ivy in Year 4 has been busy over the summer holidays raising money for Battersea Dogs and Cats home after Paul O'Grady passed away. Ivy held a fun day at Shorne Country Park for dogs and their owners, selling crafted items to raise money. Through her Just Giving page and all her hard work, Ivy raised an amazing £325!

We are so proud of Ivy and her community efforts.

BATTERSEA

### **Book swap afternoon**

Thank you to everyone for bringing in their favourite book on Friday 13th October. We had the chance to swap books with someone else from another class and share why we love those books. Our next book swap afternoon will be Friday 8th December!















Roots to Food



workshop

## **FOSS News**

We would to take this opportunity to let you know that Carrie Diprose, Chairman of FOSS, has decided to step down after seven successful years. Carrie feels it is time to take a step back and concentrate on spending more time with her family. Sophie Harbert will continue her role as FOSS Chair and is excited to welcome new members to the group and continue raising money.

We cannot thank Carrie enough for her tremendous dedication and enthusiasm to the school. Thanks to Carrie and Sophie, and our wonderful FOSS volunteers, we have been able to make a real difference to the education and learning experience of the children at Shorne.





Wear Yellow for World Mental Health Day

term 1 pics



We have been blown away with your generous donations towards our Harvest Festival collection and we can't thank you enough! Over 350 items were brought in by

children and their families and we are so proud to be able to hand them over to the Gravesham Food Bank for those who need them the most. We make the ask, and you always deliver. Thank you for your endless support towards our chosen causes.



Wear red for Anti-racism Day

### **French autumnal** traditions

You might go out picking pumpkins or berries in the autumn, but if you were in France, you would go foraging for mushrooms!



Mushroom picking, or la cueillette des champignons, is a popular autumn tradition throughout France, and there are strict rules that must be followed to make sure the environment is protected.

## Shorne's StAR Awards

	RESILIENCE	COMMUNITY	RESPECT
Year R	Fern	Thea	Tabitha
Year 1	Elsie	Isabella	Ronnie
Year 2	Lenny	Dollie	Sara
Year 3	Tommy	Thomas	Eleanor
Year 4	Emily	Brock	Jesse
Year 5	Edie	Charles	Dolly-Ann
Year 6	Archie	Millie	Gabriella

House winners (Term 1) are: Copperfield

Class with the best attendance is: Year 3 - 97.4%

## Our Pupil Roles 2023-24

## **Head Boy and Head Girl**

Noah Solly and Isla Petherick

**Deputy Head Boy and Head Girl** 

Isaac Tilson and Abigail Love

## Our StAR Award winners!



### **Our Pupil Council**

- Yr 1 Freddie Gilham and Isabella Heather
- Yr 2 Arabella Wilson-Holton and Atilla Saglam Hooper, Gabriella Foster, Brielle
- **Yr** 3 Eleanor Lynch and Foley Bath
- **Yr** 4 Eva Barrass and Jesse James
- **Yr** 5 Rosie Jones and Harry Rudden-Vine
- **Yr** 6 Noah Solly and Isla Petherick

#### **Our Head Faith Leaders**

Henry-Winter Nolan and Gabriella Foster

#### **Our Faith Leaders**

- Yr 5 Tommy Webster and Macie Snoswell
- Yr 4 Aziz Saglam and Emily Chea
- Yr 3 Primrose Elliott and Ari Mahon
- Yr 2 Harry Love and Sara Dale
- Yr 1 Mehaan Gupta and Max Harris

#### **Our Reading ambassadors**

Zander Clarke, Robin Roper, Isla Hooper, Gabriella Foster, Brielle Gnamien, Jessica Martin, Amelie Reason, Millie Sheen, Sienna Dabner, Mila Khaira, Abi Love, Isaac Tilson, Charlotte Fry, Bella Capel, Suraya Williams, Poppy Webster, Charlie Mack, Archie Smith, Teyte Hopkins, Sienna Dale, Harry Chapman and Isla Petherick.

#### **Our Librarians**

Isla Hooper, Sienna Dabner, Sienna Dale, Mila Khaira, Jessica Martin, Lillie Clayden, Charlotte Fry, Suraya Williams.

## **Shorne Sports news!**

## **Tag Rugby**

Children from Year 3 and Year 4 represented Shorne at the annual Trust Tag Rugby competition and came a fantastic 3rd! Great team effort!

### **Football**

On Saturday 7th October we were lucky enough to take part in two football competitions - The Riverview 7's and The Clarke Shield. The boys team played brilliantly and was unfortunate to lose in the final game on penalties. Highlights include a penalty save, the best goal that never was and a last minute corner with everyone up - we scored to take it to extra time!

The girls also played really well and lost 2-0 in the semi-final to the eventual winners. All children performed admirably, were respectful to all and were a credit to themselves and the school Awesome!



### **Netball**

On the 28th September, Shorne competed in the Trust's annual Netball Tournament at Saint George's School. They played brilliantly and scooped 2nd place!









Accelerated Reader Achievements:

Our readers with the highest average % correct in their quizzes who have read on average 25 or more minutes per day are:

Y2 Luna 95% Y3 Ben 100% Y4 Thomas 100% Y5 Harry RV 100% Y6 Isla 100%



## 3,796,436 words!

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

Y2 Jude - 8,5474

Y3 Mia - 46,807

Y4 Hooper - 354,632

Y5 Jack - 374,753

Y6 Isaac - 338,234

## Rabbit Class



Rabbit Class have settled into school life brilliantly! This term their class topic was 'all about me'. They have learnt about their bodies, their families, their emotions, their homes, and enjoyed making fruit kebabs as part of their healthy-eating activity.



In Forest School Year R have built dens, made crowns, enjoyed a colour monster hunt - pink means love!

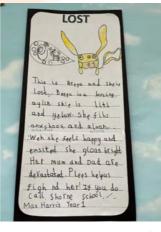


## Hedgehogs



Hedgehog Class have had a successful first term! They have engaged with many stories and particularly enjoyed, Jack and the Beanstalk, Rapunzel and Beegu. These stories have all inspired excellent pieces of writing. The children are very proud of their Rapunzel stories, they worked well by sequencing the story, acting out the story and learning about adjectives to describe the setting. The final pieces are brilliant. They took great care with their letter formation and worked hard to remember to use capital letters, finger spaces and full stops correctly.





Year 1 celebrated Black History Month by learning about Dame Elizabeth Anionwu, Baroness Floella Benjamin, Doreen Lawrence and Diane Abbott. They also enjoyed reading books that were shared across the school to celebrate Black History Month.

We were excited to read a book written by one of our chosen heroes - 'Coming to England' was written by Floella Benjamin!



### **Otters**

Otters have had a super busy start to the first term in Year 2! Their class books have all been about dragons. They read 'Tell me a dragon' by Jackie Morris and invented their our own dragons, including Rainbow Dragons, Ice Dragons, Diamonds Dragons and Moon Dragons! The children created acrostic poems based on our dragons and then wrote instruction manuals on how to care for them. Their class book has been 'The Dragon in the Library' by Louie Stowell.



In art they have been looking at different styles of portraits, including Thomas Gainsborough, Andy Warhol, Michelangelo and Rembrandt. They created their own pop-art style art work using photos of themselves and oil pastels to create amazing pictures!







Year 3 have been focusing on the book 'Stone Age Boy' and have enjoyed writing setting descriptions and diaries based on the book. They have also been researching writing biographies based on significant figures for Black History Month. In PE, the children have been learning how to play netball. They practiced their attacking and defending skills and have built up to playing tournaments against each other!



## **Tiger Class**

Tigers have made an excellent start to their last year at Shorne and have taken on lots of responsibilities in Term 1. The buddy system - where a child from Year R gets paired with a child from Year 6 -is working really well and helps to build relationships on the playground and around school.





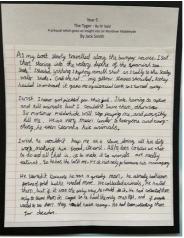
Dolphin class have worked extremely hard within both Art and Dance. The children have worked together to choreograph and perform a routine based around the topic of World War 2.



This took into account various dance techniques as well as different emotions at different points in the dance.



During Art, Year 4 have taken inspiration from L.S Lowry and created some wonderful pieces of art based around his piece of work called "Returning from work." The children used a variety of different mediums to create these amazing pieces.





Term 1 for Year 5 has been all about Tyger - the book by SF Said. We have immersed ourself in the distopian world and cheered for its hero, Adam. The children produced some amazing writing. October has also seen us focus on four amazing human beings - Katherine Johnson, Misty Copeland, Jackie Robinson and Harriet Tubman. We created our own biographies - see a lovely example here.



### Year 5 Pandas

The class finished the term with a biography about a famous figure in black history. To accompany their biography, they have created a surrealist style portrait of their figure based on the technique of assemblage, where everyday objects are put together to gain new meaning and create unexpected effects. Can you spot Oprah's microphone, something in Mae's eyes or Muhammad's boxing gloves...?













## **Key Dates - Term 2**

Wednesday 1st November	Term 2 Begins!
Monday 6th November	Secondhand book sale after school (all books just £1!)
6th November - 13th November	Sponsored Read
13th November - 17th November	Interfaith Week
Tuesday 14th November	Parent Curriculum Workshop
Friday 17th November	Children in Need
Monday 20th November	Parent Consultations
Thursday 23rd November	Parent Consultations
Wednesday 6th December	Pantomime Day
Friday 8th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 11th December	Christmas Nativity EYFS & KS1 (pm)
Tuesday 12th December	Christmas Nativity EYFS & KS1 (am)
Wednesday 13th December	Elf Day and Christmas Dinner Day
Monday 18th December	Christmas Church Service
Wednesday 20th December	Term 2 Ends
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