

◆ Shevington Vale Newsletter ◆

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Thank You

I just want to say a big thank you to all our parents/carers and supporters of our school. It has been an interesting year with challenges to face however, as always, your support has been so positive, realising that sometimes decisions have to be made in the best interests of the children. Everyone is so excited at the prospect of a virtually new school and the time when we can celebrate in style! (which we will)

Enterprise

Huge thanks goes to Mr Ireland – Hallie's dad in Y1 for sponsoring an ice-cream for everyone who is in school on Thursday 20th July at 1pm as an end of year treat. Once again an example of how caring you all are!

Security

As you are probably aware we are in the process of installing security cameras around school. Our signs have gone up and the cameras are expected any day now. Please over the holidays – if you see anyone damaging our school please contact the police and report it. It is our neighbours and passers-by who can make our school a 'hot spot' with the police.

Attendance

On a more sombre note, from September 201 we will be monitoring attendance for all children even more thoroughly due to an increase in focus from the Government.

Please remember doors open at 8.50am to allow a calm beginning to the day, ready to start at 9.00am. I shall be writing to you in September to explain our new system of lates and unauthorised absences. By 10.00am children have had three sessions of learning so even a few minutes late adds up to a loss of considerable time over the term. This year a total of 591 days were lost due to illness and other authorised circumstances and 108 days due to holidays (unauthorised absences) this mean a total of 3.68 years of learning lost!!!

Goodbye to Year Six

I would like to wish all our Year Six children a happy holiday and wish them good luck at High School. We are sorry to see you leave us but know you will make us proud on your next path of learning.

Meet and Greet

Please remember our Meet and Greet for all classes Rec-Y6 will be on Tuesday 12th September 6.00-7.00pm. This is a chance for your child's new class teacher to set expectations for the coming year.

Year 1

Year 1 has had a great term learning about plants and the seaside. Holidays in the past were brought to life with our 'History Alive' visitor. The children howled with laughter throughout the Punch and Judy show and marvelled at the 'behind the scenes' show tent. After composing music in class the children really enjoyed 'The Wigan Jazz Festival', where they got an opportunity to hear about the various instruments and also enjoy a boogie! Through our 'Enterprise Days' we have raised a massive £36.80, we are donating to charity. As Harrison's Grandparents have brought their Dogs Trust foster puppies to school on several occasions we felt it would be a great idea to send the cheque to the Dogs Trust. The summer term has been brought to a close with a fantastic water fight which everyone loved. Our only sad news is we will be saying goodbye to our lovely new Finnish friend, Nuutti! A huge thank you to Mrs Luokkola for teaching us all about Finland and her help in school. We wish Nuutti and his family all the very best back in Finland and we will write very soon!

Year 2 Plant Sale

Pupils in Year 2 have been busy growing plants from seeds and cuttings all term. This culminated in our end of term enterprise which was a plant shop. They sold grass-heads, Sunflowers, strawberry plants, book-marks, cucumber plants, poppies even paper flowers. In total we raised £167.80. We've spent some of this money on an end of term picnic and the rest will be donated to the RSPCA, as requested by the class. We've had a brilliant term!

Year 3/4 Southport Beach Clean Up Trip

On Wednesday 21st of June Year 3 and 4 went to Southport beach to help the environment and to pick up litter from beside the sea. When we got to the beach, we saw a man who was already busy litter picking so we decided to help him. We filled two and a half bags of litter. We were all very happy and convinced that we had helped the environment

Year 5

This term we have been learning about plagues and potions! We have investigated the Great Plague, separated mixtures and made potions. We went on a trip to Astley Hall, where we learnt about how the plague affected the local area and made 'plague bags' using herbs and flowers. Over the last few weeks we have been completing our magical board games so we can play them in our last week of year 5.
By Leah and Olivia

27 Serving

Year 6 would like to thank all the parents who attended their enterprise evening at 27 Serving. We raised a fantastic £861.50!! This money paid for our Leavers Trip to Blackpool Pleasure Beach, where we had a brilliant day out yesterday. Thank you for all your support this year.
Mr Houghton

School closes today and re-opens on Wednesday 6th September 2017