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Weekly Newsletter



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Important Information

THIS WEEK

PSA End of Half Term Discos 16.2.17

On Thursday our PSA held our half term discos for both KS1 and KS2. The discos were well attended and the children had a fun night! Thank you to staff and the Parents who helped to support this event and of course to Ben our resident DJ!

Goodbye Mrs Cooper 16.2.17

On Thursday this week our whole school came to get together to thank Mrs. Cooper for her 17 years of work at Shavington and to wish her well on her journey into Retirement. We celebrated Mrs. Cooper's time at school with fun, laughter and singing! Thank you to all parents and children who sent in such lovely kind words and memories they were used in our assembly and I know Mrs. Cooper was incredibly touched by them. Mrs. Cooper had organized as a surprise for the children for a visit from an ice cream van! It was very exciting and we all enjoyed an ice cream together.

This week we have been recruiting a new Teaching assistant to work in our Reception team. More details to follow soon.

Goodbye from Mrs Cooper 17.2.17

Mrs Cooper would like to thank everybody for their kind words and gifts. When she returns from Africa, she will be sending out a thank you letter to all.

Dress down day for Mayflower 17.2.17

Mayflower were our winning house this half term, it was very close and only a few sailors in it! Children in the green team celebrated their win by wearing their own clothes to school for the last day of term.

GENERAL

Mrs. Hurst

Due to an unfortunate accident at home Mrs. Hurst, one of our Reception teachers has broken one ankle and badly sprained the other. We have recruited Miss Young to teach our Reception class with Mrs. Earl whilst Mrs. Hurst recovers.

Sainsbury's

We are now collecting the Sainsbury's vouchers for school. We have a box in the front office where you can post the tokens. Last year we bought lots of new equipment for playtime for the children using the vouchers we hope we can collect lots more this year.

PSA- Summer Festival

All the dates and events that the PSA have organized for the year are on the school website calendar and also on the PSA page of our school website. The dates have also been added to the dates list on the newsletters. For the summer festival this year we would like to offer some really good quality prizes for a special raffle. If you think your business or company could offer a complementary gift, voucher or experience then please contact a member of the PSA or contact the school office leaving your details. We have already secured tickets for Reaseheath zoo, a Crave Coffee hamper and a photo package.

Parking

We appreciate that parking can sometimes be a challenge at pick up and drop off times, but can we please ask that all parents/guardians are mindful of others when parking.

Guide Dog competition

April, Mya and Mara ran a competition, KS1 had to design a dog collar and bowl and KS2 had to design a super hero dog.

KS1	KS2
1st Place - Ella B Year 1	1st Place - Oliver M Year 6
2nd Place - Canyon T Year 2	2nd Place - Maisie D Year 3
3rd Place - Sophie S Year 2	3rd Place - Ellie B Year 4



Important Dates



Term Dates for 2016/2017

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Dates List 2016-2017

Spring Term

Summer Term

February	
Monday 27 th	School Opens
March	
Thursday 2 nd	World Book Day- Roald Dahl Theme- Dress up Day (A character from any Roald Dahl story or Roald Dahl himself) PSA Meeting 3.30pm @ school
Tuesday 7 th	Governors Meetings
Thursday 9 th	Reception Stay & Play 9-9.30am
Friday 10 th	Nursery Stay and Play 9-9.30am
Friday 10 th	Yr 5 Smoke Busters
Monday 13 th	Achievement week
Tuesday 14 th	Mad Science Day (whole school)
Friday 17 th	School Book Fair after school Dress down day in return for a small gift for the Easter Bingo
Monday 20 th	Yr1 Visit to Reaseheath
Tuesday 21 st	Yr2 Visit to Tatton Park
Wednesday 22 nd	Parents Evening 3.30-5.30pm
Thursday 23 rd	Parents Evening 4.30-7.30pm
Friday 24 th	Mother's day celebrations
Monday 27 th	Spring Term HW due in today
Tuesday 28 th	HW celebration afternoon 2.30pm onwards
Wednesday 29 th	PSA Easter Bingo 5.30 for 6pm eyes down.
Friday 31 st	Pancake Races
Friday 31 st	School closes for Easter.



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April	
Tuesday 18 th	INSET
Wednesday 19 th	School Opens for Summer Term
Thursday 20 th	Academy Photography in school for class, leavers and graduation photos.
Friday 21 st	National Skipping Day.
Friday 24 th	New Homework Grids come home for Summer Term

May	
Monday 1 st	School Closed Bank Holiday
Friday 5 th	Reception Stay & Play 9-9.30am
Monday 8 th	SAT's Week/ Achievement week
Monday 15 th	Nursery Stay and Play 9-9.30am
Tuesday 16 th	Governors meetings
Wednesday 24 th	Yr 6 leave for Residential to London
Friday 26 th	Yr 6 Return from Residential to London
Friday 26 th	School Closes – Half Term

June	
Monday 5 th	School Opens
Monday 5 th	Yr 5 leave for Residential to France
Friday 9 th	Yr 5 return from Residential to France
Tuesday 13 th	Nursery Stay and Play 9-9.30am
Tuesday 13 th	Yr 5 Parents assembly
Tuesday 13 th	Governor Meetings
Friday 16 th	Father's day celebrations
Monday 19 th	Christopher Winter's project week (Personal, social and relationship focus) Reception Stay & Play 9-9.30am
Monday 19 th	Shavington Academy work experience students in school all week.
Monday 19 th	Reception stay and play 9-9.30am
Tuesday 20 th	Yr 3 parents Assembly
Wednesday 21 st & Thursday 22 nd	Yr 6 Transition to Shavington Academy.
Monday 26 th	Yr 3 & 4 leave for residential to Iron Bridge
Tuesday 27 th	Reception Parents assembly
Wednesday 28 th	Yr 3 & 4 return from residential to Iron Bridge
Thursday 29 th	Sports Day
Friday 30 th	Reserve sports day End of Year Reports go home today. Non Uniform Day in exchange for small gift for the Summer festival tombola.



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July	
Tuesday 4 th	Yr 1 parents Assembly
Wednesday 5 th	Parents Evening Drop in 3.30-5pm
Friday 7 th	Transition day (whole school) & Teddy Bears picnic for new Reception class
Monday 10 th	Yr 5 Primary College week
Tuesday 11 th	Yr 4 Parents Assembly
Thursday 13 th	Summer Term Homework due in today
Friday 14 th	Summer Term Homework celebration afternoon 2.30pm Summer Festival 5-9pm
Monday 17 th	KS2 Performance to school
Tuesday 18 th	KS2 Performance 2pm & 6pm
Wednesday 19 th	KS2 Performance 2pm & 6pm
Tuesday 25 th	Yr 2 Parents assembly
Wednesday 26 th	Yr 6 Leavers Assembly 11 am School Closes for Summer



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Pre-school (2/3 Year Olds) - Kirsty, Laura & Bev

This week we have been learning all about shapes. We have enjoyed reading the Mr Men books looking at the different shaped characters. We chose Mr Happy, Mr Strong and Mr Rush. We've painted some fabulous pictures. On Valentine's Day we made some wonderful treats. We all shared a hug in greeting time and talked about the people who are special to us.



After half term we are going to be reading the book 'What the Ladybird Heard.'

Maintained Nursery Class (3/4 Year Olds) - Miss Wilks, Emma and Jayne

It's the end of half term! We've had such a fantastic half term, learning all about Traditional Tales.

This week we focused on making up our own stories, ending with drawing a picture to show our own stories.

Check tapestry to see the class story we made up as well. Have a lovely week off everybody!

Reception - Mrs Earl, Mrs Hurst, Miss Stott, Mrs Cooper & Mrs Mills

Miss Stott and Mrs Earl have noticed that everyone in reception has made lots of progress in their writing over the last few weeks.

Some children have begun to write simple words by themselves; stretching the word and writing the sounds they hear.

Other children have begun to write whole sentences by themselves with finger spaces between words and full stops at the end. We are really impressed!

Over the half term break please could you ask your child to draw a picture of what they have been doing and ask them to label it with words, a short caption of a full sentence. You might be amazed!

Have a lovely week off.

Year 1 - Mrs Glover, Mrs Wilkinson & Mrs Kinsey

This week in Maths we have been practising our addition and subtraction skills. The children have been using number lines and number squares to count in ones to help them to find the answer to some tricky sums. They used their number skills to help find a missing number in addition and subtraction questions.

In English, we had a visit from Sunny the Meerkat who brought the class a new book to read called Meerkat Mail. The children really enjoyed the story and decided that they would like to write some postcards from different locations around the world such as the Amazon, the Caribbean, China, Paris and Qatar. We had lots of fun imagining what it would be like visiting each place.

In Science, the children have been learning about trees. They have learnt that trees can be deciduous or evergreen. We compared the leaves from a variety of trees and grouped them into either deciduous or evergreen.

Year 2 - Mrs Bloor, Mrs Rivers, Miss Simms, Mrs Wain & Mrs Elson

This week the children have been working very hard. They have been looking at Australia and London and thinking about their similarities and differences. We have looked at Barnaby Bear's visit to London and William Whiskerson's visit to Australia and even written a postcard about all the exciting things we could get up to in London.

On Tuesday we looked at the origin of Valentine's Day and made some lovely Valentine's Day cards.

In science this week the children have been discussing how they care for pets and other animals.

Friday was our whole school writing day! Our writing was linked to our topic work and so the children wrote some beautiful creation stories, inspired by an Australian traditional tale about a Rainbow Serpent.

We hope that you all have a lovely half term break!



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Year 3 - Mrs Watson

In year 3 this week we have been putting the finishing touches to our Greek myth performances so that we could perform them to our buddies in 2RB. We have worked collaboratively to finish of the scripts, rehearse our lines and create masks for the performances. The year 2 class thoroughly enjoyed our performances and we felt like celebrities!

In maths we have been continuing our work on fractions and been looking at strategies to halve even and odd numbers.

In addition, this week we have started to paint our Greek pots and looked at some examples of Ancient Greek architecture. We completed a sorting activity in which we had to organise buildings into those that were ancient Greek in design and those that were not.

This week has also been full of mixed emotions! We are upset that we have to say goodbye to Mrs Cooper who is retiring today! She is a fabulous teaching assistant school and has had a massive impact on all of us- helping us with our learning and looking after us when we are hurt. As a treat for all of us though something really exciting happened this week too! Mr and Mrs Cooper organised for an ice cream van to come to school and we all got to have an ice cream!

Have a lovely half term break!



Year 6 - Miss Brock

This week in Year 6 we have been reviewing our learning so far this year. We have completed several assessments in Maths, Reading and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar. We have used these to look at areas of learning we need to work on after half term and in our booster sessions.

In our writing, as part of our Whole School Writing Day, we have been writing our biographies making sure we are using biographical features. We've written our biographies about Tutankhamen using the research we collected in our English work last week. We have also been working on editing and improving our own work by making suggestions to punctuation and grammar.

In our science work this week we have been looking at the meanings of the word inheritance in scientific terms and how adaptation of inheritance can occur through environment surroundings.

We also put together a collection of memories, kind words and messages to share as part of Mrs Cooper's Retirement Assembly. We are sad to see her go but know that we'll see her again very soon!

Have a lovely half term and enjoy a rest!

Year 4 - Mr Hazeldine

This week in maths, we have been looking at counting hundredths in sequences and also finding numbers on a number line. We are doing brilliantly!

In English, we have been doing some superb topic writing and we have also written up our complaint letters.

We had a fabulous assembly for Mrs Cooper who is retiring today. It was so lovely and we will miss her lots. We hope she has a great time in Africa.

In topic, we have been looking at greek architecture and temples. We created our own greek temple for Athena.

The LINKS Room

In social skills KS2 & Year 2 this week we enjoyed learning more about ourselves and each other. We asked each other questions to find our differences and similarities. We then enjoyed creating an aboriginal of art work.

In KS1 we completed an activity where we followed instructions and then we met another character in Friendship Terrace.

In Motor Skills we practised our pencil skills and played memory games.

Have a great half term.

Year 5 - Miss Chapman

It may be the final week but we really have packed a lot in! We have begun writing our own myths, trying to include expanded noun phrases and relative clauses!

In maths, we have been reading, writing, ordering and comparing numbers up to three decimal places. We have used a range of techniques to help us learn these skills.

In RE, we have been answering and developing questions about our understanding of Hinduism and how they celebrate Diwali. We then shared our viewpoints and had many discussions about why we could have different thoughts on the same topic.

On Thursday we said our goodbyes to the wonderful Mrs Cooper. She is a fantastic member of Shavington and will be deeply missed by us all! We wish her all the best in her retirement.

I hope you have a lovely break over half term and I look forward to seeing you again in spring term two.



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Star of the Week



Class	Teacher	Pupil	Achievement
Reception EH	Mrs Earl and Mrs Hurst	Olivia Parton	For excellent number work.
Reception S	Miss Stott	Esme McGarry	For being a superstar.
Year 1	Mrs Glover	Finley Walker	For always being focussed and ready to learn.
Year 2RB	Mrs Bloor and Mrs Rivers	Isabelle Hughes	For always trying her hardest in everything that she does.
Year 2S	Miss Simms	Kevin Kertolli	For working hard all week and staying focussed even when the work is tricky.
Year 3	Mrs Watson	Jessica Burgess	For always working hard and being kind and thoughtful.
Year 4	Mr Hazeldine	Josh Lockwood	For always getting on and presenting his work beautifully.
Year 5	Miss Chapman	Layla Woolrich	For being a ray of sunshine. Having a positive attitude and a big smile which brightens up Miss Chapman's day.
Year 6	Miss Brock	Ethan Preston	For always always always always being ready to learn.

Mrs Hurry's Golden Table

Mrs Cooper	Noah Harding
Samuel Lee	Gracie Maxfield
Lilly Evans	Mya Dawson
Jessica Bossons	Alex Casey
Sammy Guthrie	Holly Clayton

We are on **Week 3** for dinners after half term

Sports Personality of the Week

