

# Weekly Newsletter

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*'Where children  
come first'*

## Building Update

The Shawbrook building (which used to be called the Infant Building where Nursery, Reception and Space Hub classes were) is starting to be demolished from 26<sup>th</sup> February. It will take two weeks to demolish it. We are going to let the children watch some of the process of demolition. It is a historic moment as the school has been up for over 60 years and it has seen many children and families through its doors over the years.

## World Book Day - 7th March

This year, due to the continuing cost of living crisis, we will **not** be asking children to dress up in costume for World Book Day (children come in school uniform as normal).



Instead, we would like the children to **bring an artefact or prop** from a book into school for others to guess which book.

For example, an apple to represent Snow White, a duster for Cinderella, a teddy bear for Goldilocks, a carrot for Frozen (Olaf) or a wand or glasses for Harry Potter.

Props can be from the toy box or homemade! We will have lots of fun guessing which books the props are from. There will also be a World Book Day lunch prepared by our amazing kitchen on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

## Red Nose Day / Comic Relief - Friday 15th March

We will be raising money for children and communities who are struggling. We will be inviting children to come to school with strange or silly hair-dos or something silly in their hair. We will be asking for a donation of 50p (or whatever you can afford). We will also give children a chance to tell any (appropriate!) jokes in assembly.

## Easter Egg Competition - 26th March Deadline

Can you design and decorate an egg?

You can use lots of materials: paint, felt tips, collage, junk modelling, buttons, glitter, feathers, sequins, paper, foil etc. Make sure your egg is boiled. We will post some ideas on Class Dojo - it can be a scene based on a book, character, sports team, an under-the-sea scene, anything at all.

Think about how your egg will be displayed eg. in an egg cup, in an egg box, in a decorated shoebox etc. **ALL**

**ENTRIES TO BE BROUGHT TO CLASS FROM MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH.**

**WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH.**



## OPAL

Please continue to make sure children have wellies in school, coats, all-in-one suits for younger ones if possible, a change of clothes would be good.

## Tesco Grant

**GOOD NEWS!!!**

We have won the Tesco grant competition for £1500! A huge thank you to Tesco and to everyone who put their little blue token into the box. The grant is for helping to develop our Outdoor Play and Learning and will go a long way towards equipment and items for supporting our children when they are playing outdoors.

## School Money – Outstanding Balances

**PAYMENT  
OVERDUE**

In preparation for end of financial year, please log into school money and clear any outstanding balances. If you have any queries on balances or problems clearing outstanding monies, kindly get in touch with Mrs Halstead as soon as possible. Many thanks.

## Rewards for this week (Well done!)

Well done to all those amazing children who have achieved awards this week.

Star of the Week Awards Focus on Learning	
<b>Moons</b>	<b>Ava</b> - for enjoyment of stories and loving being a frog
<b>Rockets</b>	<b>Avayah</b>
<b>Dorado</b>	<b>Ebony</b>
<b>Orion</b>	<b>Lydia</b>
<b>Hercules</b>	<b>Mia</b> – for having a positive attitude towards her learning and working really hard this week
<b>Apollo</b>	<b>Eli</b> – for making excellent progress with his phonics
<b>Galaxy</b>	<b>David</b> – for showing many school values when offering to share his lunch with a staff member who had forgotten theirs
<b>Pegasus</b>	<b>Alfie</b> – for showing positivity and enthusiasm with his work and for asking questions for improvement
<b>Leo</b>	<b>Ethan</b> – for fantastic work in Science and ICT, showing brilliant knowledge and understanding
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>Harry</b> – for being extra polite and mature around school. It has been great to have adults from outside the class team come and point out how kind and polite you have been

Positive Planets Points	
<b>Dorado</b>	<b>Mason</b>
<b>Orion</b>	<b>Finley</b>
<b>Hercules</b>	<b>Steven</b>
<b>Pegasus</b>	<b>Noah</b>
<b>Leo</b>	<b>Ethan</b>
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>Alyssa</b>

PRIDE Award	
<b>Dorado</b>	<b>Mikey</b>
<b>Orion</b>	<b>Bodie</b>
<b>Hercules</b>	<b>Grace</b>
<b>Apollo</b>	<b>Beth</b>
<b>Galaxy</b>	<b>Oscar</b>
<b>Pegasus</b>	<b>Evie-Rose</b>
<b>Leo</b>	<b>Darasimi</b>
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>Isabelle</b>



## Goodbye Irene

After over 30 years of faithful service to Seven Stars Primary School, lots of early mornings and late nights, cleaning, supporting, and managing the premises, our wonderful Site Supervisor Irene is retiring on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Irene has seen many staff members, children and families come and go and she has always been a good friend to everyone.

In all weathers and at all times of the year Irene has loyally opened up our school and ensured everywhere is safe and locked up at the end of the day.

We will miss Irene so much but we hope she has a wonderful retirement and get to spend more time with her lovely family (and with her friends on exotic holidays!).

Thank you Irene for everything

There will be a special assembly on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 9am for any parents, friends and family who would like to come along.

## Goodbye Heather

We are also sadly losing Heather who has been such a great mid-day supervisor and cleaner over a long period of time at Seven Stars. Heather has been a fantastic support to some of our youngest and most vulnerable children during lunchtimes most recently and supported all the children in school over the years.

Heather has also served us as one of our amazing cleaning team keeping things spick and span for the children.

We wish Heather all the best as she takes on more hours elsewhere and hopefully we will see our dynamic duo Heather and Irene, for a brew at some point in the near future.

## Dates Coming Up

- 29<sup>th</sup> February** - new Site Supervisor interviews
- 1<sup>st</sup> March** - Heather's last day in school
- 7<sup>th</sup> March** - World Book Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> March Irene's last day** (special assembly at 9am for Irene and Heather)
- 15<sup>th</sup> March** - Comic Relief (Red Nose) Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> March** - Deadline for Easter Egg competition entries
- 27<sup>th</sup> March** 1.30 to 5.30pm - Parents/carers afternoon (to look at the children's books and talk to teachers)
- Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> March** - last day before Easter Holidays
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April** - return to school after the Easter Holidays

Many thanks for your support - *Mr Mitchell*

**REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE** (class and school information)

Remember to like us on Facebook and Twitter



**School Code of Conduct**  
**Please be kind and respectful at all times**