



Shelley First School Newsletter

June 2022

Care, fairness and respect... No barriers to learning... Celebration and joy

Headteacher Update

It has been a very busy half term at Shelley First School with lots of exciting activities and events that have taken place. I want to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for being supportive towards the vision and ethos of the school and for working together with us to ensure our children receive the very best. New initiatives such as the attendance awards, Headteacher awards and the whole school homework project have been well received by our children and families.

My new topic for children to research during the summer holidays is 'Famous People'. I would like to remind parents and carers that although it would be lovely for families to work collaboratively with their children to produce something for this project, this is not compulsory.

I would also like to take this opportunity to stress the importance of encouraging your child to practice skills they have learnt at school as 6 weeks of holidays is such a long time and we need to ensure our children do not regress during the break.

Finally, on behalf of myself, staff and governors, I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Peake, Miss Wood and Miss Grist who are leaving us this year and I would also like to wish Miss Barker the very best during her maternity leave.

Wishing you all a restful break!

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Sporting Events

This month pupils from specific year groups have been invited to take part in several sporting events.

- Our KS2 Cricket team played up at Skelmanthorpe Cricket Club and enjoyed an afternoon of games.
- Our KS2 rounders team have been to Shelley College for a tournament with the other pyramid schools. They played really well and came 5th overall.
- Our Year 3 pupils enjoyed a morning of Getting Active at Shelley College, and our Year 4's will be attending at the beginning of July.



Thank you to those parents who were able to transport the pupils during the school day.

Enterprise Week

**ENTERPRISE
WEEK
RESULTS**



EACH CLASS WAS GIVEN £20 AND HAD TO MAKE IT GROW. THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES WERE POPULAR AND HAVE RAISED VITAL FUNDS FOR SCHOOL.

THANK YOU TO PARENTS/ CARERS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

**The Grand
Total raised is £631.06**

Total = profit once any money spent from the £20 starting funds has been deducted

WOW!

Parental Workshops

Did you know that you can now access the presentations from the parental workshops that have been run in school, over the last academic year. These include emotional intelligence and consent. Follow this link to access these on our website:

<https://shelleyfirstschool.co.uk/parents/workshops>

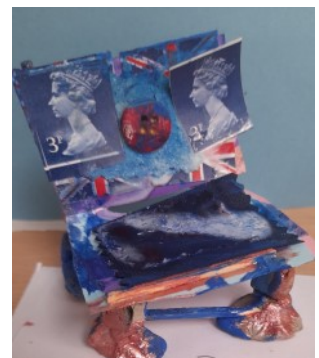
What's been happening in Class?

Rosen— Our younger children have been making use of the big apparatus that we have in the hall. They have been overcoming fears (height particularly), moving in different directions, speed and finding own ways to move. They were also working on having awareness of others when moving around the apparatus
THEY LOVED IT!



Bevan - Class Bevan have been learning about digital technology in ICT. We have learnt what digital technology is and where we find technology within school and at home. We know how and why we use technology and in the last few weeks of school will be using a range of technology safely.

Donaldson—The children have worked hard with Miss Wood in D.T. They have enjoyed designing and making their Jubilee inspired thrones, as well as using different materials to decorate them.

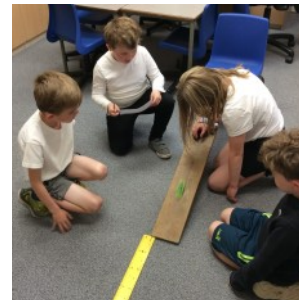


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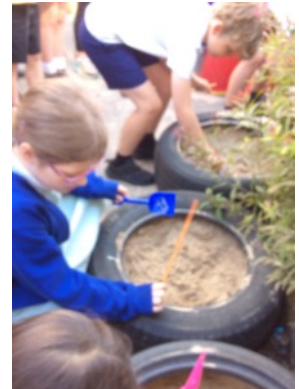
Lear - To honour Refugee Week, Class Lear and Donaldson read the story 'My Name is Not Refugee' which showed the children what someone their age would be going through if they had to suddenly leave home. We talked about what we would take, how far we could walk if we had to and how we would feel if we had to live in a strange place with people we didn't know talking an unfamiliar language. We then thought about what we could do to show how countries can be united with caring for people from their country or otherwise and created a dove of peace full of flags.



Eliot — Science investigation testing the friction on different surfaces. Children tested to see how far a car would travel on different surfaces. They learnt that the car would travel more if there was less friction.



Carroll—Class Carroll took part in an 'archaeological dig' to find out the topic of our new English book. Each 'artefact' brought us one step closer to solving the mystery. After all artefacts were found, we went back and studied the objects, making notes as to what we knew about them, what we thought knew about them and what more we wanted to find out.



Using their knowledge from a previous topic week in Humanities of Ancient Egypt, it didn't take the children long to realise we were about to learn all about Tutankhamun!

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Coelho In history, year 5 have been exploring the question of why people go on a journey. The journeys have spanned from the Tudor period to those undertaken today by refugees including Walter Raleigh, Windrush and the Titanic. As a class we firstly discussed the Kindertransport in World War 2 to understand what a refugee is and why people might flee their country. At the end of our topic we looked at why refugees make dangerous journeys today. In these photos, the children are exploring 'push and pull' factors of why refugees might make this journey and they ordered them in importance which we then had an interesting class debate. All this learning linked well to refugee week from the 20th June and gave insight to the children about relevant news today in the Ukraine, Syria and Afghanistan.



Our World Homework Project

Mrs Akhtar set the children a holiday homework project all about 'Our World'

The wonderful work that was handed in after the holiday was of such a high standard and we loved the creativity that matched the brief.



This terms winners received a gorgeous book. This were about an aspect of our world.

A huge well done to these children and to everyone who submitted a piece of work. The pieces of work are now on display in school.

Uniform Exchange

REMEMBER TO DONATE YOUR OLD SCHOOL UNIFORM

I am sure most of your children will have grown out of their old school uniform by the end of the term or maybe leaving to a new school. Please would you donate any no longer needed school uniform to Uniform Exchange our local recycling charity. They make sure every family has access to school uniform throughout the year not matter their financial need. There are over 50 donation points across Kirklees if you go to their website, you can see the locations in your postcode area. Our school does have a collection box for you to donate into. Thank you in advance for your support.

<https://www.uniform-exchange.org/donation-points/>

FREE SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have 1000's of items of recycled school uniform donated from all over Kirklees. This is available for all parents to access for their local school, please complete the form on this link and we will get it out to you ASAP. We give away uniform on a first come first served basis, be aware logo items are limited. We had 100 requests last week so don't leave it too late.

<https://www.uniform-exchange.org/free-school-uniform/>

As a local charity we can't thank you enough for supporting us.



School
**UNIFORM
needed**



**PLEASE HELP UNIFORM EXCHANGE BY
DONATING YOUR OLD SCHOOL ITEMS**

- School Uniform
- School & PE Bags
- Shoes & Trainers

Find your local collection box on the website



You can **donate** outgrown/
no longer needed uniform
items at the school office
during the final week of
term **w/c 18th July**

This will be open **during
drop off and pickup.**

Hello from The Governors



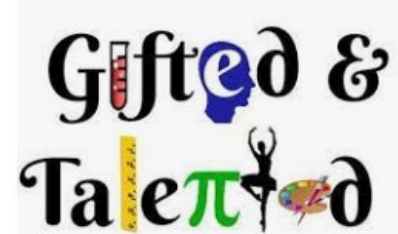
My name is Lisa Pugh and I have the privilege of being the Vice Chair of Governors at Shelley First School. I have been a governor since my eldest child, Reuben started in Reception almost 4 years ago. Since then, my youngest son, Joshua has also joined the Shelley Family.

Amongst other things, the governors are responsible for conducting assurance visits and we all have 'link' areas. I am currently the link governor for teaching & learning, early years and well-being. When I visit school, the pupils are always proud to show me their work and are able to talk about how they are supported academically and with their wider development.

As we approach the final few weeks of the school year, I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the staff for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. There is a lot that goes on behind the scenes so THANK YOU!

Gifted and Talented

During this term, Shelley First School will be updating their Gifted and Talented Register which seeks to identify and support children, of any age, who demonstrate exceptional ability or talent. One of the main aims of Shelley's More Able and Talented Policy is that it should include and recognise talent and ability, across the widest possible range of performance areas and not just the academic. To meet the agreed criteria, a 'talented' child must have proven exceptional ability and perform at a high level for their chronological age. For example, representing the district or county in a sporting activity would qualify.



Although school may be aware of your child's ability in an activity in which they excel out of school, it is possible that there is something we do not know. The form provides an opportunity for you to nominate your child to be entered on the school's Talented Register. **Please find the link for the form <https://forms.office.com/r/wXxFvxGw9e>** When the register is complete parents will be notified accordingly. We very much hope this process will both raise awareness about and encourage the development of the talents held by children who attend Shelley First School.

Y5 Last Week arrangements

The Y5's final week at Shelley First School is w/c 11th July and a letter has been sent out to parents regarding the planned activities. A copy of this letter can be found on our school website via their class page.

Children should now have received their leavers hoodies and we hope they enjoy wearing them for the duration of their remaining time at Shelley First School.

The children have been visited by the Headteacher, Head of Year and one of the history teachers from Kirkburton Middle School as part of their transition.

Summer Serenade

Calling all musicians! We would like to invite all children who have music lessons (in or out of school) to perform in our Summer Serenade. Please complete a separate form for each of your children who wish to perform. <https://forms.office.com/r/fGKKfb4bn8>

There will be two Summer Serenade performances the first on Monday 11th July for KS1 and the second on Tuesday 12th July for KS2. The children who are participating will perform at both performances. They will be in the afternoon, time TBC once we know how many performers we have.

The children will be performing to parents and their peers. This is a lovely opportunity for them to share their talents – we welcome all performers, from beginners to more advanced.

We invite all parents to join us for this event to support the children who will be performing. Please come along for an afternoon full of musical entertainment and support our pupils who may be performing for the very first time.

Shelley Gala

The Shelley Village Association are working hard planning the annual Gala, which will take place on Sunday 10th July 1:30 to 4:30pm.

We are having a stall at the gala this year so please come along and support us.



Eco Art Competition

We had several entries for this competition. 3 trustees for the Trust came to judge the entries and loved them all, which made their job really difficult. Prizes went to Phoebe DeRenzy-Jones for 1st, Larna Clark for 2nd and a joint 3rd for Maisie O'Keefe and Abigail Fleetwood. Well done to all pupils who entered this competition, your creations were inspiring.

We are pleased to announce that the prize for the overall Trust wide winner for the best entry was won by Phoebe DeRenzy Jones from Shelley First School. This is fantastic news!!!



Sports Day

Our annual Sports Day is taking place on Wednesday 13th July, with a back up of Thursday 14th July. We invite Parents to come along and watch the event. We will have some benches and chairs for parents to use, but these will be limited. Please see timings below:



Key stage 1—Sports day will begin at approx. 1:10pm and end at 2:10pm.

Key stage 2 - Sports day will begin at 2:15pm and end at 3:15pm.

£25

9am-3pm



Promoting teambuilding, social interaction, mental wellbeing but most importantly, having fun!

Led by highly qualified sport and play leaders, Camp Active is Penistone's premier holiday club specialist.

Running from St John's Junior school we promote a wide range of activities from multi-sports, arts and crafts and traditional playground games.



- ★ Suitable for ages 4-11
- ★ 5 days per week during school holidays
- ★ 9:00 till 15:00 (7:00-18:00 options available)
- ★ Breakfast and After school clubs available



To book your place or find to out more, contact us on **01226 370888** or by email enquiries@childsplaynurserypenistone.co.uk

To find out more like us on **facebook**



Ages: Reception to Year 4

U9's Cricket Training

Soft ball cricket - Fun, Enjoyable way to learn the game

Training starts 29th April at 6:30pm at Cumberworth Cricket Field, Lower Cumberworth.
If you are interested in joining please call Glenn Senior: 07779115193

Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
28th and 30th June	New Starters - Stay and Play sessions (3.45pm until 4.30pm)
1st July	Fit4Funds - Fundraising day
5th July	Open Evening (Drop in session 3.30-5pm)
11th July	Summer Serenade (KS1 audience)
12th July	Summer Serenade (KS2 audience)
13th July	Sports Day (weather permitting) KS1—1:10pm KS2—2:15pm
13th July	KS1 Disco (FOSS EVENT—pre paid entry only) 3.30-5pm
14th July	KS2 Disco—(FOSS EVENT— pre paid entry only) 3.30—5pm
14th July	Y5 Leavers Assembly (9am)
15th July	Y5 last day at Shelley
18th-22nd July	Transition Week—Children spend the week with their new teacher
22nd July	School Closes 3.30pm for the summer holidays