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Spring Term Newsletter 10

Dear Mums/Dads/Carers,

Sports Teams Update

Last week, two of our amazing teams performed in district-wide events, our Netball team and our Dance team. Both teams made us exceptionally proud!

Netball Team – report from Mrs Mills

After only six weeks of training, our Netball team played their hearts out at the netball competition at Shirebrook Academy. We played outside in the cold, wind, rain, and even hail at one point, but they all kept on going. We had injuries and people just stepped up. In the end we were joint 1st place, so it went down to goals scored, and we just missed out on first place by one goal. So we came second overall, but they all played well in every position and were fabulous sporting representatives for the school.



Also, a big shout out to our supporters, we had an amazing group of parents come to cheer us on and they stuck with us through all weathers too. A big thank you from all of us. Now time to warm up!

Dance Team – report from Mrs Grayson

Thank you to the amazing children who took part in the dance festival on Wednesday, you were incredible! You wouldn't believe the courage it takes to stand up on such a big stage with such a big audience... over 800 people watching!!! Just amazing! Well done superstars.

If you would like to see the video of our Dance Team's performance at the Winding Wheel, it is on our Class Dojo whole school page.

Assessment Week

We had our spring term assessment week last week. These weeks aren't the most fun for children but they soldiered through like champions. If anyone missed a test last week, they'll be catching up this week.

We are also running a Year 6 'getting used to SATs' week this week, where our Year 6 children will be having a set of SATs tests in and around the hall, to get them prepared for their big week in May.

Parents' Evening

This term's parents' evenings are coming up next week; on Tuesday March 25, Wednesday March 26 and Thursday March 27. Your child was sent home with a paper copy of your booking form last week to make your appointments.

If you haven't had this form yet, please ask your child's teacher or a member of our school office team.

Year 1 Singing Stars

Reminder to our Year 1 families to come along to our Singing Stars performance this Thursday at 2.30pm. Our Year 1 children will be performing all their songs from these brilliant singing sessions.

Red Nose Day and World Down Syndrome Day

This Friday, we have two awareness days that have fallen on the same day – Red Nose Day and World Down Syndrome Day. This is a non-uniform day for our school and children can choose to dress in ways to support one or both of these important causes. Red Nose Day is fairly obvious for clothing and World Down Syndrome Day is wearing odd socks. If you wish to donate to either of these two causes, please do that directly with the charities.



Chocolate Easter Egg Bingo Night

Thank you all so much for your extremely generous donations for our Easter Egg Bingo Night! We've had over 300 Easter Eggs donated, meaning we'll be able to make sure everyone leaves with a tasty prize on the big night on Friday.

We had sold out all 150 of the tickets last week. As some of our families were really keen to join in, we've had a little play with the set up and moved the planned refreshment stall into a neighbouring corridor, which has made some space for a couple of extra tables in the hall.

Therefore, we have a small number of tickets which have now become available. If you want them, I strongly suggest you get them very quickly, as they will probably all go by the end of today.



Year 6 Class Assemblies

And finally, we have our Year 6 class assemblies this week, with Wolves tomorrow morning and Goats on Wednesday morning. It would be great to see you there!

Many thanks for your continued help and support,

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Executive Headteacher

Spring Term Diary Dates 2025

Tuesday March 18	Year 6 Wolves Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 4 Koalas Class Library Visit
Wednesday March 19	Year 6 Goats Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
Thursday March 20	Year 1 Singing Stars Performance to parents/carers at 2.30pm
Friday March 21	World Down Syndrome Day – Wear Odd Socks
	Red Nose Day
	Family Chocolate Bingo Night at 5pm
Tuesday March 25	Year 5 Owls Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	Year 3 Tanukis Class Library Visit
	Parents' Evening
Wednesday March 26	Year 5 Elephants Class Parent/Carer Assembly at 9am
	New FS1 (nursery) children transition session with parents in class 9.30am to 11am
	Parents' Evening
Thursday March 27	New FS1 (nursery) children transition session with parents meeting in the hall 9.30am to 11am
	Parents' Evening
Monday March 31	Nursery trip to Willow Tree Farm
Tuesday April 1	Year 3 Spiders Class Library Visit
	Year 2 Starfish reward trip to Mansfield Superbowl *new date
Wednesday April 2	Year 3/4 Production at 10am and 2pm
Thursday April 3	Eid Celebration
Friday April 4	Easter Eggs and/or Easter Bonnets – Infant School only (optional homework activity)
	Last day of spring half-term 2

Summer Term Diary Dates 2025

Tuesday April 22	Inset Day
Wednesday April 23	Children return to school
	Year 5 Bikeability
Thursday April 24	Year 5 Bikeability
Friday April 25	Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday April 29	Year 2 Starfish Class Library Visit
Monday May 5	Bank Holiday
Tuesday May 6	Year 4 Bikeability
	Year 2 Dragonflies Class Library Visit
Wednesday May 7	Year 5 Bikeability
Monday May 12	Year 6 SATs Week
Tuesday May 13	Year 1 Hedgehogs Class Library Visit
Tuesday May 20	Year 1 Lizards Class Library Visit
Friday May 23	Last day of summer half-term 1
Monday June 2	Children return to school
Tuesday June 3	FS2 Giraffes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 10	FS2 Flamingoes Class Library Visit
Tuesday June 17	Year 6 Wolves Class Library Visit
Monday June 23	Whole School Assessment Week
Tuesday June 24	Year 3 Spiders Class trip to the National Stone Centre *new date
	Year 6 Goats Class Library Visit
Wednesday June 25	Year 3 Tanukis Class trip to the National Stone Centre *new date
Monday June 30	Year 5 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
Wednesday July 2	Year 6 leave for the residential trip to Scarborough
	Year 5 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Friday July 4	Year 6 return from the residential trip to Scarborough
Monday July 7	Year 4 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Wednesday July 9	EYFS Sports Day at 9am
	Year 5 Transition to Shirebrook Academy
Thursday July 10	Year 1/2 Sports Day at 9.30am
	Year 3/4/5/6 Sports Day at 1.30pm
Monday July 14	Transition to new classes and Year 6 to Shirebrook Academy
Tuesday July 15	Transition to new classes and Year 6 to Shirebrook Academy
Tuesday July 22	End-of-year reports go home
Wednesday July 23	Year 2 Graduation in school at 9.30am
Thursday July 24	Last day of summer half-term 2
	Year 6 Graduation at Sports Direct Auditorium at 10am
	Year 6 Rounders Match versus the staff and parents at 1.15pm
	Year 6 Family Barbecue at 2.30pm

Autumn Term Diary Dates 2025

Thursday September 4	Inset Day
Friday September 5	Inset Day
Monday September 8	Children return to school
Friday October 24	Last day of autumn half-term 1
Monday November 3	Children return to school
Friday December 19	Last day of autumn half-term 2
Monday January 5, 2026	Children return to school