

# Shipley Church of England Primary School

Nurturing Creative Thinking for Life Long Learning

## Newsletter January 2018

#### **Happy New Year Everyone**

We have had a very busy couple of weeks at the start of this term so appologies for the late arrival of this newsletter.

So far we have already had a trip to the pantomime for 15 lucky 100% attenders who were randomly picked out of a hat. Our young voices choir have performed at Sheffield arena and were fantastic ambassadors for our school. We have been visited by a 'schools rock band' which we are looking into making available for our pupils in the near future, Henriette, our school vicar, has been and taken an assembly to launch our value focus this term, love. Our language for communication project has begun with reception class, Year 6 have been visited by a careers advisor from Bradford University and Year 4 have begun their Prince William Award. January to Spring can seem like a very long time with the winter weather and dark mornings and evenings but we have plenty to keep us all occupied at Shipley. It is a good opportunity to do lots of reading, practise

## Whole school week beginning 21st January – Prayer Week

timestables and learn our spellings at home too.

This week is national prayer week. At Shipley we pray daily in class at the beginning of the day, before lunch, during worship assembly and at the end of the school day. For national prayer week we will concentrating on the importance of stillness and moments of silence for prayer and thought.

### **Notices**

PE kit is looking a bit shabby in some areas of school. PE is a part of the national curriculum and needs to be recognised by our children as just as important as our other subjects. Please make sure that your child has a white T shirt, black or navy jogging bottoms or leggings, purple/navy blue hoody or jumper, a pair of black shorts and trainers. Jumpers, T shirts and hoodies should be either plain or with the school logo. All of these items can be purchased from Asda, Henry Smiths or through Tesco Direct. Tesco donate money to the school every time someone orders from them which we can spend on resources for school.

# **Special Educational**

## Needs

Parents can contact Mrs Coles, Mrs Smith or Mrs Bowers if they have a concern about their child's learning or behaviour. SEND is overseen by Mrs Smith and Mrs Bowers until further notice.

### Foundation Stage and KS1

Thank you to all the parents in Year 1 who are supporting their children with their independence and encouraging them to come into school by themselves.

Nursery and reception parents are invited to coffee and chat on Friday mornings with Mrs Parker. There will be opportunities to learn how to support your child with phonics, reading and number work and to meet parents with children in your classes. Mrs Smith will be attending on the 1st, and 15th February for a catch up and chat.

### Lower KS2-Yr3&4

Year 4 need to be in school for 8.30 on Fridays for their Prince William Award. Thank you to all parents who have Please make sure they are in school promptly so that the session can begin. Without the 8.30 start our funding will not be provided. Thank you.

### Upper Key Stage 2-Yr 5&6

Friend and relationship education is taking place every week for Year 5 this half term. Year 5 are learning life skills related to managing friendships.

Year 6 are working hard to prepare for their SAT tests in May. Please support your child by encouraging a positive attitude to learning and talking to your class teachers if you have any worries or questions.

## Health and Wellbeing Team - Pupil Support

We track all children closely to ensure that they are on track with their learning. Some children who do not need to be placed on the SEND register may from time to time need a little extra support to keep them on track with their learning, health and wellbeing and behaviour. A little support given at an early stage can be of great benefit to a child's later education.

Our health, wellbeing and inclusion team work with individuals and groups of families in a variety of ways. If your child needs extra support we will contact you to arrange a meeting to discuss this and to arrange your involvement. Extra support is only successful with the understanding and support from parents at home, so we will prioritise families who are willing and able to engage with the support offered.

#### **Dates for this term**

- 23.1.19- Parents Meeting Road changes proposals outside school- come and have your say.
- 30.1.19- Individual Photo Day
- 15.1.19- School closes for half term
- 25.2.19- School re-opens
- 25.2.19- Poet in school working with 12 Year 5&6 pupils
- 28.2.19- Zephaniah' 25th Birthday Celebration Bradford Cathedral.
- 7.3.19- World Book Day Shipley Shakespeare Day
- 11-15<sup>th</sup> March-Science Week
- 25.3.19- Year 6 Residential Boggle Hole
- 2.4.19- Rewind to Easter Year 5
- 12.4.19- Egg Rolling, Easter Bonnet Competition
- 12.4.19- School Closes for Easter