Shillington Lower Bulletin



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Our value of the month is: Appreciation

Friday 23rd March 2018

Louie said "I really enjoyed it and ran 14 laps and felt good afterwards"

Sports Relief

Today has all been about sport, fitness, fun and raising money! The staff and children have arrived in a range of sports clothing. I have even seen a swimming hat and googles! The sun this morning did mean that a number of children asked me if we could go into the pool... not yet but hopefully soon! Our sports apprentice and his counterpart from Stondon have set up a course around the field and all the children and the adults have been running around the course through the morning, enjoying a bit of warmth and sunshine! They have learnt the value of doing something fun to help others. We noticed quite a few potential Mo Farah's for the future. A lot of perseverance and teamwork was on display. Thank you all for your donations. We will add all these up soon and let you know the totals.





We break for Easter next Thursday, 29th March and return to school on Tuesday 17th April.

We wish everyone a Happy Easter and a restful break!



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Pixie News

Pixie's have continued with their topic of 'Growing' and have been exploring life cycles.

We have baked butterfly biscuits and painted symmetrical butterflies. We have been very excited watching our beans and cress grow.

Song of the week is 'Wind The Bobbin Up' and during maths time we are looking at number recognition.

Unicorns News

In Unicorns we have been learning all about the Royal Family. We have enjoyed talking about the Queen and her family and also what we would do if we were King or Queen!

Activities have included painting portraits of the Queen and a homework survey about who will be King or Queen when we are all grown up. The majority of Unicorns think that Prince William will be King when they are older.



Centaurs News

In Centaur Class we have been creating our own poems based on Robert Lewis Stevenson's Windy Night. We have also been practicing using a dictionary to find the meaning of different words and a thesaurus to find synonyms. In maths we are beginning to use expanded and compact addition to help us add two 3 digit numbers. In science we have been busy dissecting daffodil flowers, experimenting the way in which water is transported within plants and the life cycle of flowering plants.

Rainbows News

Over the past couple of weeks Rainbows have finished their topic of Growing and Changing by looking at the life cycle of the Caterpillar. The children enjoyed the story of the Hungry Caterpillar. They also planted seeds and cress and will continue to write diaries about the cress growing. This week we have been looking at stories by Julia Donaldson and the children have really loved making their own Stick Men, sun catchers, making rafts to float and collecting bits for a fire. We also read Superworm and went on a bug hunt.

In maths last week we concentrated on repeating patterns and this week we have been measuring using rulers and centimeters.

Dragons News

Over the last couple of weeks in Dragon Class we have been creating adventure stories. First we worked in groups to make bird finger puppets, then we wrote our stories before using our puppets to act them out. In Maths we have been learning how to measure length. We found out that Usain Bolt can run 100 metres in 10 seconds so we decided to find out how far we could run in the same time! How far do you think we managed?

Phoenix News

This week in Phoenix class we have been learning how to keep safe on the internet and have designed our own posters to teach others. We have been learning basic skills when using a laptop such as saving and retrieving files, changing fonts: style, colours, size and position on a document. Also insert images from clip art and the internet.



Send your name to the sun with NASA

We can apply for our names to be set into space on the next probe to be sent to study the Sun with NASA.

The web address for this is: http://go.nasa.gov/HotTicket

Your child will be able to print off a certificate to say that their name has been included on the mission.

Diary Dates;

26th – 28th March—Year 4 residential visit to Caythorpe Court

Term Dates;

Spring Term 2018

Wednesday 3rd Jan - Thursday 29th March 2018

Summer Term 2018

Tuesday 17th Apr – Friday 20th Jul

(Half term 28th May – 1st June)

May Day - 7th May 2018 - school closed

Please note our school is open on the 4th June (some surrounding schools are closed)

Reminders;

School Dinners for the next half-term will be $\pounds 58.80$ (please pay in advance).

The school dinner menu will change after Easter, please look out for details of this next week.

Values Education

At Shillington we believe Values education underpins everything we do at our school and they create a solid foundation for our children to live in society. We have decided to change the current values programme so that each month we will focus on a different value. This will be explored via assemblies, PSHE lessons and class discussions. As the school is such a part of the community, and given our underlying belief in co-operation between home and school, we hope you will encourage your children to reflect and show these values outside of school as well as inside. The remaining values for this year will be:

> April: Perseverance and determination June: Honesty

May: Patience July: Freedom

Shillington Superstars Rainbows Elliot Teddy Unicorns All of Unicorn class Edward Dragons Connor Leo Centaurs Oscar Max **Phoenix Benedict** Rebecca