



# The Shaftesbury Park News



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## A Message from Mrs Richards

This morning we said goodbye to our wonderful Year 6, many of whom have been with us for their entire Primary School career! The children shared memories, songs and thanks yous with the staff, pupils and parents. We were delighted to announce that Taylor and Nawal are this year's recipients of the Headteachers' Award. From the applause and cheers, it was clear that they were both very popular and deserving winners.

We also said goodbye to a few members of staff; Amelie Rolle has been with us for a year on a French Government placement. She has helped us tremendously with the development of our bilingual curriculum and will be missed! Miss Duffield has worked in Year 3 this year and is leaving us for further study in Bristol; she hopes to become an educational psychologist in the future. Mr Claxton, who has been in the school for 11 years, is leaving us for Deputy Headship in Cheam. He has played a huge part in the life of the school and we will miss him very much! Today we presented him with a trophy for the World's Loudest Sneeze, which we hope will take pride of place in his new office. Thank you so much to all these members of staff, and good luck!

Our emotional and celebratory Year 6 leavers assembly was a fitting end to an extremely busy year. I am pleased that the efforts of both pupils and staff have been translated into pleasing results academically, sports wise and in the performing arts. I happy to report that this year pupils' attainment has improved considerably at all key stages. Results at the end of Key Stage 2 are close to those of 2013 and are high in all areas: 92% of pupils achieved Level 4+ in Reading, 88% in Writing and 96% in mathematics.

The school's refurbishment programme has been hugely successful and thank you to all parents, staff and children for your patience while it has all been going on! The entrance area is welcoming and is work in progress. It will eventually have large photographs of pupils at work and play alongside some of the school's vision statements. We have been successful in securing a grant for £30K under the 'Primary Spaces' initiative in order to develop the outdoor play and learning facilities. We hope that this work will be carried out in the Summer holidays and are waiting to hear if this will be the case.

All the children have celebrated their achievements this year; they have met their new teachers and are now, I'm sure, looking forward to their holidays. I would like to thank all the staff, pupils and parents of Shaftesbury Park for yet another eventful and successful year; I wish you all a very happy summer break!

# Children are back to school on Wednesday 3rd September

## Attendance and Punctuality for Summer 2

All of these children have won their bronze star. Silver star winners. Gold star winners for over 99% attendance!

<u>Zebbras</u>	<u>Tigers</u>	<u>Leopards</u>	<u>Badgers</u>	<u>Hedgehogs</u>	<u>Owls</u>	<u>Parrots</u>	<u>Sharks</u>	<u>Turtles</u>	<u>Dolphins</u>
Jacob	Tiana	Oliver	Riley	Joshua	Adam	Tryrell	Hasham	Tarun	Lameak
Johnathan	Kysen	Elodie	Moses	Jevonte	Iqlas	Mason	Romell	Haytham	Renata
Donia	Nyran	Niyah	Alana	Willow	Malachi	Genesis		Solenne	Shanade
Levi		Samuel	Daniel	Njay	Ciara	Katie		Malka	Dejanae
Haruki		Shiyao			Noah	Conor		Shaur	Tiegan B
Mariam		Javen			Samuel	Scarlett			Gilbert
Sherianne		Malia			Luxshmi	Macy			John
		Jaliyah			Benecia	Myia			

## Tigers, Zebras and Leopards



We have been so busy in the Foundation Stage this summer term! We began our topic Up, up and Away with an exciting balloon release. Over fifty balloons were released with a message to write back to us. We were extremely surprised to receive email messages from all across London and even as far as Hertfordshire! We have investigated lots of different ways to travel up, up and away, including bubbles, kites and space rockets. We have compared measurements in time, length and distance. We have written instructions and lots of imaginative stories. The Foundation Stage has been able to share with you some of our amazing learning in our Sharing Assemblies this term. We were all very brave to stand up in front of the whole school and we all used our biggest voices so you could hear us. Thank you to all the parents, carers and extended family who were able to attend. It made our performances even more memorable! We really enjoyed Art week and learned about artists from all over the world. We all created a self portrait in the style of Andy Warhol that was part of the whole school art gallery. Tigers have really enjoyed taking part in Yoga Bugs, a story led yoga class. They can make amazing shapes with their bodies! In Healthy School week we were sad to hear that not all disabled children have a right to education in some parts of the world. We have made a giant paper chain of messages, with the rest of the school, to ask the Prime Minister to speak to all the governments on behalf of these children. Our MP will be delivering them soon! We are all very proud of all our Tigers, Leopards and Zebras and the achievements they have made this year. We will miss our children, but we look forward to watching them accomplish great things in their new classes. Have a wonderful summer holiday!



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## Dolphins



Wow, what a half term! Our last week in school has been particularly busy! The disco was eventful to say the least - teenagers in the making! We can hardly believe that the final day of school has arrived. Our leavers' assembly and year 6 production made us laugh and cry. School Daze was certainly entertaining and the leavers' assembly brought a tear to everyone's eye; even a trickle was said to be seen rolling down Mrs Richards' cheeks! The year 6s have made good use of their farewell autograph books. They collected final thoughts and farewell messages from staff and children from around the school. Thank you so much to parents for all your support and kind words. I will miss Shaftesbury Park and all its lovely pupils!

## Badgers

What a fantastic end to the school year. Badgers have worked extremely hard this term and I am very proud of them! The children have had a great time learning about Seaside Holidays in History, comparing past and present journeys. In Science we explored different types of sound, comparing the pitch and volume of noises that we could hear in and around the school. Badgers have greatly enjoyed their P.E. Lessons with Mr. Patterson this term, where they have demonstrated ever-improving focus and progress; very well done! The children are also becoming much more confident swimmers. Linking to our learning in P.E. during Healthy Schools Week we greatly enjoyed Sports Day and also discussed different ways of keeping fit and the importance of a balanced diet. Well done again Badgers, I will miss you all a great deal!



## Owls

Owls class have had a jam packed term and it has been a lot of fun. In Literacy we have enjoyed creating Woodland poetry, some of which will soon be found around school! We have written some wonderful stories full of imagination adventure and descriptive language. In Numeracy we have got to grips with fractions, time tables and problem solving. We have had a great time on two trips this term; Kings Place allowed us to explore various classical instruments, we enjoyed listening to a beautiful classical orchestra. Our second trip was to London Zoo, we all had a great time looking at and reading the notes about the animals, some of which were very unusual! We will all be very sad to see Lea leave to go on to a school nearer to her home, all the best Lea. I hope you all have a wonderful Summer holiday and enjoy spending lots of time with family and friends. See you in the new academic year.



## Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs have had a fantastic academic year. All children have made progress across all areas of the curriculum areas. This term we have taken part with the OAE Orchestra in an amazing concert. The children all sang beautifully. Sports day was truly outstanding, Well done KS1! **It's the taking part that counts.** Hedgehogs' Good work sharing Assembly went well. The children showed off all the spectacular topics they have been learning about. Please continue to support your child with their phonics, reading and writing during the summer holidays. Our local library has a reading scheme over the summer holidays. Please pop in to your local library and find out more!! Thank you for all your support throughout the year! I am sure your children will go on to achieve even more in their new class. I wish



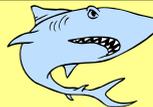
## Parrots

Parrots have all worked extremely hard this term and have had lots of fun along the way! At the start of the term, we finished off our chocolate topic by making our very own chocolate bar along with bright and creative packaging. The children certainly enjoyed eating their creations! We then moved onto looking at the World Cup and Brazil as a country. We researched about the culture, climate, traditions and food within Brazil and compared what life is like for children there compared to life in London. In literacy, we read Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers and then wrote our very own version of the tale. In maths we have been carrying on learning our times tables, practised to multiply by 10 and 100 as well as completing several investigations and puzzles. Our topic in science was light and shadows and we practised conducting a fair test by creating different types of shadows with various objects. We thoroughly enjoyed art week and looking at different art from around the world as well as thinking about healthy eating as part of healthy school week. Have a fantastic summer, Parrots!



## Sharks

It has been a jam packed term for the Sharks! They have all showed how they are ready to move into year 5 and 6. We have enjoyed learning about habitats in Science and how different animals adapt for their environment. We all enjoyed arts week and in particular making macaras for our Brazil day. I was very impressed with the graffiti names that Sharks created as well. In geography Sharks learnt all about rivers of the world. We researched rivers and learnt a lot of technical language to describe the features of rivers. We had Andy from Chelsea FC come and teach us some great football skills- everyone in the class made progress and was able to take part in the football matches we played. Sharks have been a fantastic class to teach and I am very proud of their progress and their hard work. Have a wonderful summer break everyone!



## Turtles

Summer term has flown by and I am extremely proud of the progress that all of the children have made over the year; they have worked really hard and are now more than ready to begin Year Six where I know they will continue to achieve and enjoy success. World Cup fever took over our classroom this half term! We created a football themed dance with Pippa, learnt about the Favelas of Brazil and studied the official posters from previous World Cups before designing our own Brazil 2014 World Cup poster on the computer using the software 2 Paint a Picture. The class also took part in an Enterprise Project with Chelsea FC and were set the challenge of designing a new T Shirt for the club. Ridwana's winning design was then printed onto a T Shirt for everyone. I hope that you all have a lovely summer break and thank you for all of your support over the year. Turtles you have been a fantastic class and I will miss teaching you.

