



SHIRELAND
TECHNOLOGY PRIMARY



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Newsletter

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Principal Introduction

What a great Spring Term we had despite Lockdown! It was wonderful to see all our children back and all the classrooms full of smiling faces and a shared joy to be back with each other and ready to learn.

The children settled back in amazingly well and staff focused hard on supporting their learning needs to ensure they can make as much progress as possible over the rest of this academic year.

Lockdown has not stopped us from having fun as well as learning and before we broke up for Easter, including **World Book Day**, **Red Nose Day** and our **Easter Bonnet Competition and Virtual Parade**. Plus our fantastic E3L themes are providing children with opportunities to explore everything from milking a cow to the carnival in Rio! Here are some photos of what the children have been getting up to in class this week.



Nursery –

Learning all the colours of the Rainbow.

Reception, Year One and Year Two – Making some very special cards.



World Book Day Quiz Winners

World book day was a huge success. It was a delight to see families being involved with our masked reader daily competition, leading up to World Book Day and seeing all the wonderful costumes and learning in School and at home on this eventful day.



Our Virtual World Book Day quiz was such fun and all families who joined in thoroughly enjoyed themselves. **Congratulations to the winners!**

Relationships and Health Education Consultation

Our consultation with families and staff about our Relationships and Health Education programme has now ended.

During this process, families were invited to offer their feedback about our trust Relationships and Health Education policy and proposed curriculum, including during our Family Forum on Tuesday 2nd March. We know how important it is to work together as a school community to ensure that our curriculum can help to keep our pupils safe, happy and healthy, as they grow and progress within our school.

As the consultation period has now ended, as a Trust we will now be reviewing all feedback which has been shared and we will use this to inform our final policy and curriculum plans, in preparation for delivery in our schools from September 2021.

Thank you to all the families who participated in the consultation and offered their feedback to support this process.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Lockdown did not dampen our spirits this Easter with amazing creations from families.

Our virtual Grand Easter Parades gave a chance for each bubble to parade down the STP runway (complete with a '*Blue Steel*' pose) which we recorded and shared with families via Microsoft Teams.

Shireland clearly DOES have talent, and creativity in the bucket loads!

Final word from our Principal

As we head towards the Summer Term we do so with a sense of optimism and positivity. We hope that the effort and hard work of staff in providing the exceptional Remote Learning Provision at home, as well as continued high-quality support for those in school, will mean that as many children as possible will meet 'Expected' at the end of the academic year. We also hope that they bounce-back from the challenges of this last year as resilient and emotionally intelligent, well rounded individuals able to cope and thrive in the most difficult of circumstances. And as a school we know we are there to support them every step of the way to become the best they can be.

