

Shacklewell Newsletter

FRIDAY 1ST MARCH

Headteacher's Update

We have enjoyed a fantastic first two weeks of the new spring term. Today was a particular joy- more information about World Book Day can be found overleaf.

Other highlights this half term include the fantastic progress of our readers in KS1 and Reception, the amazing writing created during the first week back plus the great sporting performances from our boys' and girls' football teams.

This term has also seen us launch our Identity project. The aim of the project is to help the children to identify what makes them individuals and at the same time find commonalities across the class and wider school. Staff have been incredibly motivated by the inspirational talk from Lemn Sissay during the Inset day which has lead directly to how they are teaching this topic.

As a reminder we are looking for help from families in two ways to support the Identity project. Firstly we would love as many families as possible to volunteer some time to lead a creative workshop in the summer 1 term. Secondly we need families to share a picture of themselves for the refreshed display in the school entrance- "Shacklewell- A Place for Everyone".

Next week I am heading to PGL with year 6 and I cannot wait.

Spring 2

Friday 1st March

Federation World Book Day

Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March

Year 6 @ PGL Osmington Bay
Years 1 - 5 assessment week

Wednesday 6th March

12.50pm: Year 5 Come Dine With Me
2.00pm - 3.00pm: Year 1 Come Learn With Me
2.00pm - 3.00pm: 5S library visit

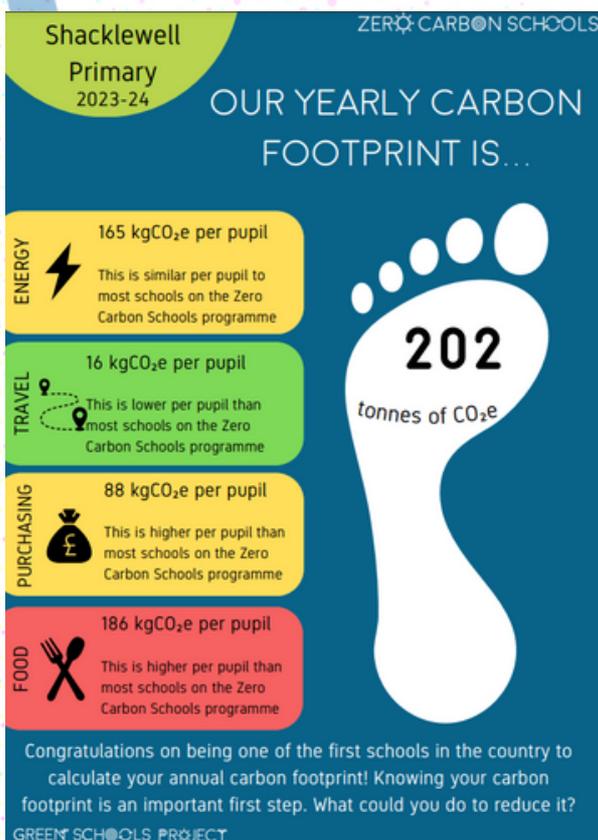
Thursday 7th March

8.30am - 8.50am: Year 1 reading breakfast

Monday 11th March

British Science Week Begins

Remember to check the calendar on the website for the whole half term's key dates.



Sustainability

Shacklewell is very proud of its partnership with Zero Carbon Schools. We are amongst the first schools in the country to calculate our carbon footprint. As you can see from the poster we have lots to be pleased about, particularly the figures for travelling to school. It does however raise some questions about the climate impact our food. The eco councillors, in partnership with the Green School Project, are already planning the next steps on how to improve these ratings, including utilising the green spaces in school to grow some of our own produce. This work is also complimented by the wider New Wave Federation sustainability group which is exploring strategic ways for the organisation to be as climate friendly as possible.

TENDER/RE:SET Project

We are very proud to announce that Shacklewell has partnered with Tender Education and Arts to complete RE:SET; an online toolkit and whole school campaign to award our school for promoting a culture of healthy, equal and respectful relationships. During this year Tender will be delivering training, workshops and creative campaigns alongside our children and staff, as well as offering sessions to families and parents.

We are excited to start this journey with the RE:SET team, and to see how it will benefit both our school culture and our children's futures. In the coming weeks we will be writing to you with a short survey for you to complete to share your opinions on this important area so please keep an eye out for it.

Parents' Evening

On Monday at 12:00pm our Parents' Evening booking system will go live on MCAS. This term Parents' Evening will be held on the afternoon and evening of Wednesday 27th March between 3:45pm and 8:00pm. If you are unable to book via MCAS then please call the office who will be more than happy to help.

World Book Day

Always ahead of the trend at Shacklewell, we decided to celebrate World Book Day a few days early this year. The children across the school dressed up as favourite characters and did a great job of bringing the stories to life. In class the children learnt about poetry and created their own performance pieces. Some children also had the chance to visit the local bookshop to select a new book. Don't forget to spend your £1 tokens as soon as you can in order to bring home an exciting new book.



Read more about the week in school on the News section of the website.