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CHARACTER VALUE OF THE WEEK: RESILIENCE

"Resilience is all about being able to overcome the unexpected. Sustainability is about survival. The goal of resilience is to thrive." – Jamais Cascio



HOT WEATHER

It has definitely been an appropriate character value this week and both pupils and staff have shown incredible resilience in coping with the record-breaking heat. I am very proud of everyone who has pushed on through the heat. I know that it is not ideal and uncomfortable at times, but we have demonstrated that we can cope and keep going. This is such an important lesson for our children to learn and I am pleased that our children have shown that they have resilience in vast amounts! Excellent work, Shaftesbury!

SCHOOL REPORTS

The end of year reports will be out on **Tuesday 30th June.**

The reports will be sent home with the children so, please keep an eye out for your child's report. In case you do not receive it, please inquire at the school office.

If any parents/carers would like to discuss their child's report, the class teachers will be available on Tuesday 7th July between 3.10pm to 4pm.

TRANSITION DAY - WEDNESDAY 1ST JULY

NEW YEAR 3 INTAKE

The new Year 3 children from feeder infant schools will be spending **Wednesday 1st July** at Shaftesbury. They will be told what class they are in on the day. There will be an **Induction Meeting** for parents of the new Year 3 intake on **Wednesday 1st July at 5.00pm**. Parents/carers will receive a welcome pack at the induction meeting with details about starting at Shaftesbury.

YEAR GROUPS 3, 4 & 5

Children will be told on **Tuesday 30th June** what their new classes will be. On **Wednesday 1st July**, children will spend the day in their new classrooms.

YEAR 6

On transition day, **Wednesday 1st July**, Year 6 children will be spending the day at their new secondary schools. **Y6 pupils should NOT come to Shaftesbury but go directly to their secondary school.** The only Year 6 children in school will be the ones who have their transition day on a different date.

SPORTS DAY UPDATE

Due to the hot weather, we have made a slight change to our Sports Day arrangements. Instead of a single Sports Day, we will now be holding **Sports Mornings over two days**. Schedule as follows:

- **Year 3 and 4: Thursday 2nd July, 9:30am – 11:00am**
- **Year 5 and 6: Friday 3rd July, 9:30am – 11:00am**

Please ensure that children come to school wearing their PE kits on their allocated day. They should also bring: A cap or sun hat, a water bottle and sunscreen (applied before school where possible). All parents and carers are welcome to attend. Please bring your own shade (such as a gazebo, umbrella, or sun shelter), as shaded areas on the field are limited. We look forward to seeing you there!

Urgent Action Required: Free School Meals is changing – check your eligibility from today!

From Monday 1 June 2026, the government has changed the free school meals system. More families than ever before will now qualify for free school lunches. Because the rules are changing, all existing transitional protections are ending. **This means that every family must be re-checked before the new school year starts. If you do not complete this check, your child's free school meals may stop in the autumn term 2026.** Please click the secure link below to complete an online application.

[Free school meals | Leicester City Council](#)

What you will need: Your national insurance number (or national asylum support service number), your date of birth, your legal name.

From Monday 1 June 2026, children in households in receipt of universal credit, with annual household earnings above £7,400 would be entitled to 'expanded' free school meals. If your child was previously refused free school meals, you can apply again. Children who qualify under this expanded eligibility will receive free school meals from autumn term 2026.

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Shaftesbury Night Live^{UK}

YEAR 6 END OF YEAR PRODUCTION

Join us for a fun-filled afternoon and evening at our spectacular production, *Shaftesbury Night Live!*

Packed with music, laughter and fantastic performances from our talented pupils, this is a show not to be missed. We look forward to welcoming **parents of Year 6** for some unforgettable entertainment on **Tuesday 7th July 1:30pm and 5:30pm**

OSOW WASTE - Recycling workshop

Year 4 and year 5 took part in a recycling workshop delivered by the City Council Recycling Team.

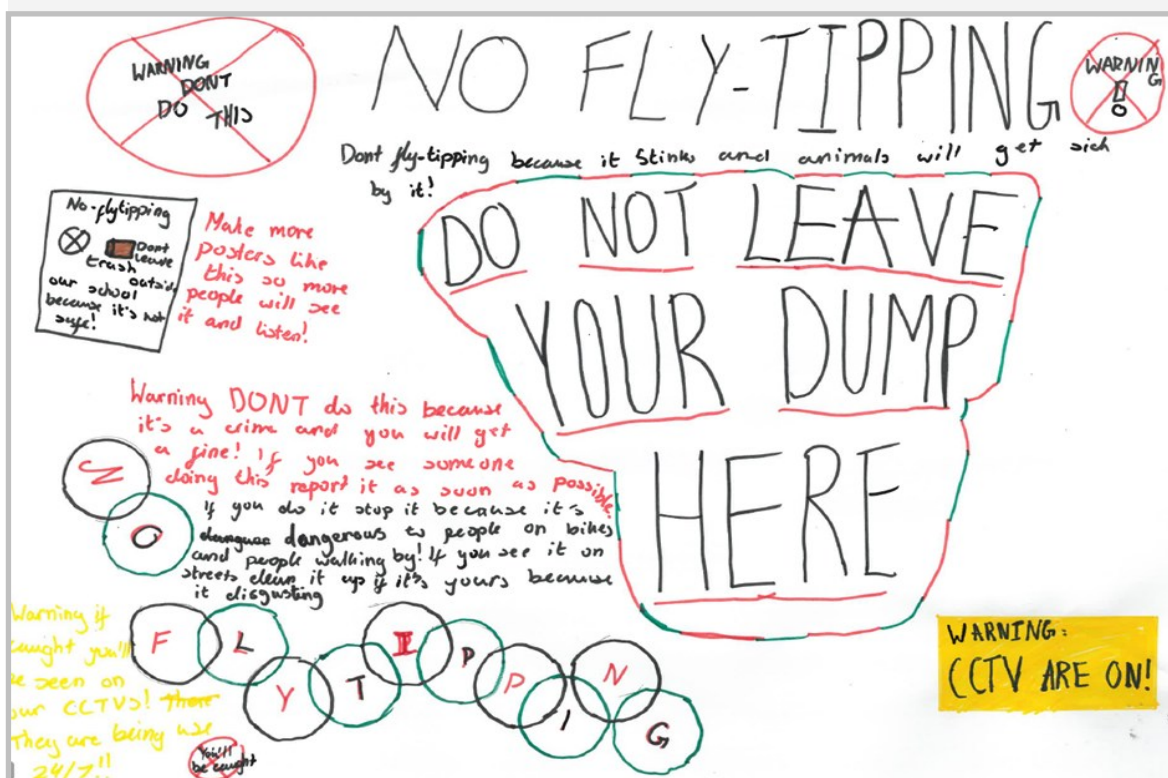
We learned what we can recycle and which bins to use!



Our School, Our World - Eco-Warriors: Fly-Tipping Action

Our Eco-Warriors have been busy creating eye-catching posters to help raise awareness about fly-tipping and encourage everyone to help keep our community clean.

Remember: Fly-tipping is a crime. It damages the environment, harms wildlife, and makes our local area unpleasant for everyone.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Parents/Carers: Please note that holidays should not be taken during term time and will not be authorised.

If your child has unauthorised leave of absence you may be issued with a Penalty Notice of £160 per parent per child (discounted to £80 if paid within 21 days) or, your case could be referred by the Local Authority directly to the Magistrates' Court).

If there is occasion to issue a second Penalty Notice for unauthorised leave of absence within a rolling 3-year period, it will be issued at the higher rate of £160 per parent per child, with no opportunity to pay at the lower level.

A Penalty Notice cannot be issued if there is a third occasion of unauthorised leave of absence in the rolling 3-year period and it is highly likely that the local authority will take direct prosecution action in the Magistrates' Court which can result in you receiving a criminal conviction.

Ketchup Club presents...

SEASIDE ADVENTURE

Holiday Club for children ages 5-11 (school years 1-6)
4-7 August 2026
Tuesday to Friday
From 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
Church of the Martyrs, Westcotes Drive LE3 0QT
GAMES, CRAFT, SONGS AND FUN

www.martyrs.org.uk
FREE EVENT

Beach

The poster features a vibrant beach scene with a sandcastle, a striped beach chair, a lighthouse in the distance, and a QR code. The background is a bright blue sky with a rainbow, clouds, and a smiling sun.

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WEEKLY AWARDS AND ATTENDANCE

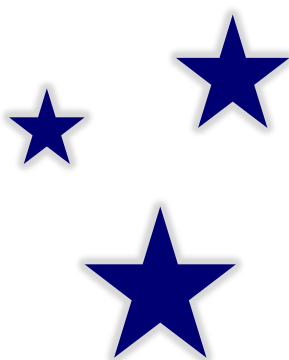
CLASS ATTENDANCE

3J: 99.0%
3T: 98.3%
4K: 98.7%
4W: 98.2%
5G: 92.1%
5P: 97.2%
6P: 97.1%
6S: 96.3%

Overall Attendance from
28.08.25 - 26.06.26:
96.4%

WOW AWARDS

3J: Leo
3T: Atarah
4K: River
4W: Shawn
5G: Nicoleta
5P: Deborah
6P: Jennifer
6S: Ritika



TOP ATTENDANCE: 3J

PUNCTUALITY: 4W

LUNCHTIME: 3T

HOUSE POINTS

1st: **Ridley 198**
2nd: **Cranmer 197**
2nd: **Tyndale 187**
4th: **Latimer 180**

WEEKLY HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Every week, two pupils from a year group are chosen for an outstanding piece of work. This is our celebration of their efforts. WELL DONE!



3J - Banya

For always being curious and enthusiastic about your learning.



3T - Milan

For showing resilience in all parts of his learning and growing in confidence over the last year.

WE ❤️ LUNCHTIMES

Jannat 5P

Rebecca 3J

Freya 4K

Avinoor 5P

Tanay 4W

Komail 5G

Keelan 5P

Reflection

Perseverance

Honesty

Appreciation

Resilience

Share

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READING MILES

