



SHADSWORTH INFANT SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

28th November 2025

MRS VAREY MESSAGE

WEEKLY MESSAGE

On Tuesday, we held our annual Christmas Fair, and it was a fantastic success!

Thank you so much to all our parents and carers for your generous donations and for coming along to join in the festive cheer.

A special thank you goes to our amazing PTFA for their hard work in supporting Mrs Young with the organisation and preparation of the event, and to our dedicated staff for running the stalls on the night.

All the money raised from the fair will go towards exciting experiences for our children, including trips, visits, and fun events such as the pantomime.

Don't forget to check our Christmas diary dates to see what else we have planned in the run-up to Christmas!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Class 1-2 H Jeffers parents to attend only one showing

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9.00am EYFS Nursery/Reception Nativity

Class RY Donaldson & Nursery AM

Parents to watch

Wednesday 10th December 2025

2.30pm EYFS Nursery/Reception Nativity

Class RM Murphy & Nursery PM Parents to watch

Full Time Nursery Parents please attend only one showing

Reminders

Miss Woodruff will be leading our baby and toddler group at 9.00am every Tuesday. This will give families time to drop off at the Juniors and return, you are welcome to wait after drop off at the Infants (8.45am) somewhere dry and warm - Thank you for your continued support.

ATTENDANCE



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

"Attendance is not optional"

There is an expectation that children are in school every day

Overall School Attendance Target

96%

Actual School Attendance 24/11/25–28/11/25

87%

| Class | Attendance % | Lates |
|-----------|--------------|-------|
| Murphy | 86 | 8 |
| Donaldson | 83 | 5 |
| Bright | 88 | 13 |
| Jeffers | 91 | 7 |
| Percival | 86 | 4 |
| Bridge | 93 | 2 |
| Rainbow | 85 | 4 |
| Total | 87 | 43 |

CELEBRATE



**This week we said
“Well Done” to**

| Class | Good Work | Good Behaviour |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Murphy | Xavier | Rasan |
| Donaldson | Yomi | Ezra |
| Bright | Ella | Oliver |
| Jeffers | Logan Ch | Phoebe |
| Percival | Scarlett Rose | Autumn |
| Bridge | Jamie | Daynton |
| Rainbow | Makan | Eddie |

**Lunchtime
Award**

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**Headteacher
Award**

Marley-May O



**Kindness
Cup**

Nikolas

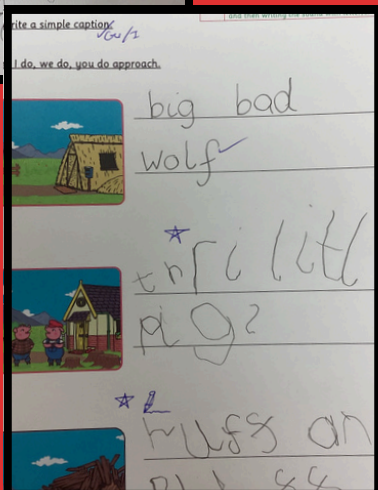
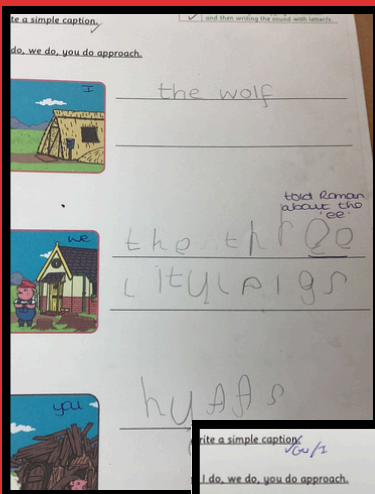
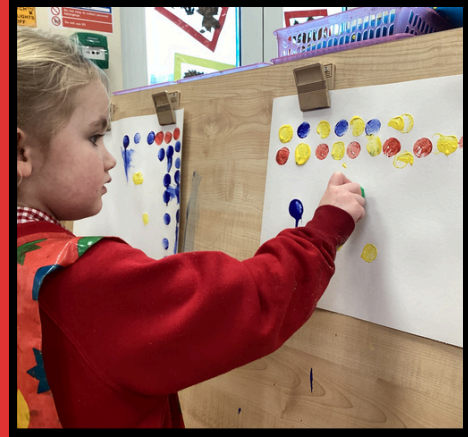


OUR LEARNING



NURSERY

This week, Nursery have been busy learning all about pattern in Maths. We have been finding patterns around us in the classroom and creating our own repeating patterns. We also had a calm and cosy Hygge Day to end our busy week. We shared stories, sang songs and enjoyed some delicious snacks with hot chocolate and marshmallows.



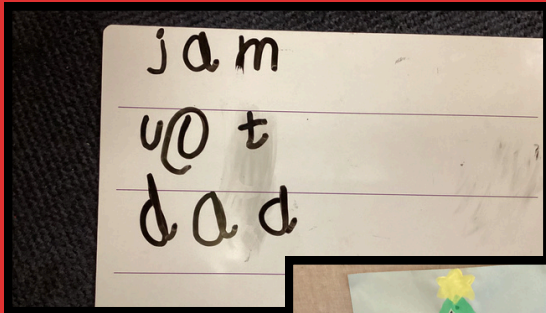
MURPHY

In Murphy class this week, the children have been continuing to explore new numbers - including 4 and 5 (not 6, 7)!! They have been spotting numbers in their environment and finding different ways of making those numbers. In Literacy, we have been concluding our work on The Three Little Pigs with the children producing some really promising writing. They are working really hard - well done!

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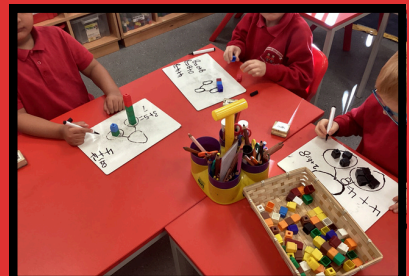
DONALDSON



Children have worked really hard this week in phonics and have written some excellent CVC words independently. We have also learnt some digraphs (2 letters that make 1 sound). In literacy, the children have finished our three little pigs book and have thoroughly enjoyed writing captions about the characters. Our Maths work this week involved us learning all about numbers 4 and 5. Children were extremely good at finding different ways we can make the number 4 and 5. Ask them to show you using their fingers. In Donaldson class we are beginning to get festive and some children have made their very own christmas tree and decorated it, in our home corner.

BRIGHT

This week Bright Class have been learning how to find missing numbers in maths. We have been writing about how the characters feel now that Nibbles has made his way into other fairy tales! The children enjoyed a lesson with Mr Brown the music specialist in which they were learning the basics of composition using minibeasts to help.



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JEFFERS



Jeffers class have been learning more about habitats in Science this week, matching animals to their habitat and discussing why these are the best conditions for their survival.

We enjoyed learning new facts about life in the past during our trip to Salmesbury Hall, and will continue our learning this coming week by researching some more facts about King Henry VIII.

PERCIVAL

We went to Salmesbury Hall this week and met Lady Jane who told us all about the people who have lived there in the past and how they lived in Tudor times. We also had a pine cone treasure hunt and tried to hook a duck in the pond! We have also been working hard in Maths learning how to exchange ones in order to add two 2-digit numbers.



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BRIDGE CENTRE

This week in The Bridge Centre we have enjoyed making (and eating!) pancakes during our Forest School Session with Badger. Whilst with our music specialist, Mr Brown, we have learned about repeating rhythms and linked them to a story 'Tanka Tanka Skunk'. During our PE session with Coach Owen, half the children spent some time with Hunter the Therapy Dog whilst the other children took part in the sports session.



RAINBOW ROOM

In Rainbow Room this week, we have carried on with our friendship topic. We made a friendship potion with kindness, caring, sharing as the special ingredients. We also made friendship bracelets and gave it to our friends. We have also been practising our fine motor skills by using scissors to cut and mark make using crayons. Some children have been creating some display work to decorate the classroom.





Let's have a look at this week's poster!

24th – 30th November 2025



Individual Liberty

When we create art, we get to choose what we draw, what colours we use, and can talk about our drawings if we want to. Drawing can help us to show who we are and what we are interested in.

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Protected Characteristics



People show their feelings and ideas in many ways, and for some, religion or belief offers comfort and support. Everyone should be free to share what they believe, and no one should ever be left out because of their religion or belief.



Sex



Sexual Orientation



Age



Disability



Gender Reassignment



Marriage and Civil Partnership



Pregnancy and Maternity



Race



Religion or Belief

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Shadsworth Infant School Christmas

Calendar Countdown 2025

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Class 1-2H (Jeffers) - Parentswatch please attend only one showing

3.30pm-5.00pm MessyChurch - School Hall

Wednesday 10th December 2025

9.00am EYFS Nativity (Rec/Nurs) - Parentswatch Class RY (Donaldson) Nursery AM (Carle)

2.30pm EYFS Nativity (Rec/Nurs) - Parentswatch Class RM (Murphy) Nursery PM (Carle)

Full Time Nursery (Carle) - Parentswatch please attend only one showing

Thursday 11th December 2025

Dick Wittington Pantomime in school

Christmas Dinner Served-Children wear Christmas Jumper

Friday 12th December 2025

Christmas Jumper Day children to wear a Christmas Jumper

or their favourite/sparkly top - **Please bring £1 for the Save the Children Charity**

Tuesday 16th December 2025

Christmas Movie Night collect children @ 3.15pm return back to school for 4pm in your PJ's

Tickets £5.00 per child - Slip and money payable to class teacher

Wednesday 17th December 2025

1.30pm Class Christmas Parties/Father Christmas Visits Classes

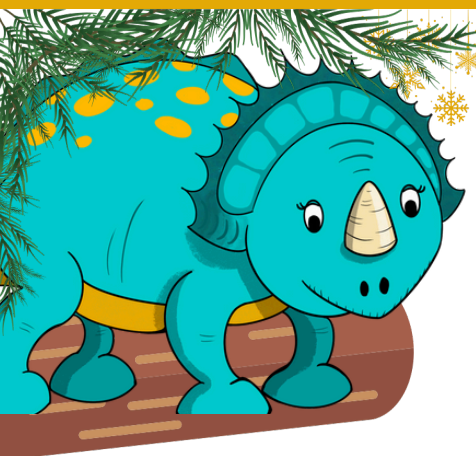
Friday 19th December 2025

Festive Hair Day - **Please bring £1**

school closes for **Christmas Holidays** - Please collect your child @ 1.30pm-

Monday 5th January 2026

School Re-Opens 8.00am for Breakfast Club - 8.35am Soft Start 8.45am Registers are taken



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5
create a firework picture

6
share a toy

7
Create a Poppy for Remembrance Day

1
Create a picture to make someone smile 😊

2
"I am kind"

3
Kindasaurus Circle time

4
Decorate a 'kindness' pebble and leave it in the woods

12
Donate something to charity

13
World Kindness Day

14
Children in Need

8
Do affirmation yoga

9
Remembrance Sunday

10
World Science Day

11
Complete the 'rolling balls' activity

19
Create some kindness postcards for the community

20
Role play - Babies

21
use chalk outdoors to create a Rangoli Pattern

15
take part in a story massage session

16
play with somebody new

17
Create a Pudsey mask for Children in Need

18
Help to make dinner

26
Read the Kindasaurus meditation

27
Be kind to the environment

28
clean your toys

22
Create a kindness potion

23
'Save the dinosaurs' activity

24
"I am kind to my friends"

25
Bake some cookies for a friend

29
Give a friend or Wellasaurus a hug

30
Read 'Kindasaurus Saves Christmas'

EYFS



Oliiki These activities originate from the Oliiki app.

Activities in this colour are explained in the supplementary activity sheets on your portal.



Blackburn with Darwen

**ADULT
LEARNING**

Festive Crafts Open Day

BwD Adult Learning is offering **FREE** festive crafts sessions for parents and children.

Activities Include:

Sock Penguins

Festive Cracker Making

Badge Making

Cake Decorating

Saturday 6th December

10:00 – 11:30am or 12:00 – 1:30pm

Bank Top NLC, BB2 1QP

**BOOK
NOW**



For more information contact us on
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