

STRIVING

Newsletter of the South Tynedale Railway Inclusive
Venture for the Education of Railway Staff

Shed 52C

Well, here she is, 55468. I rather like the steamy picture (caused by the blower priming). She is the new locomotive to replace NCB No. 1 who has gone to Steam Workshop in Wakefield in search of a new home after much muttering in dark corners by boiler inspectors. 55468 is fully in ticket and runs beautifully. She's the new "training loco" and being a tank engine, strivers less than 170cm tall should be able to reach the controls! She will be in steam at Slaggyford for half-term COHORT days which, you will recall, have been advertised as "Injector Magic". Your task is to prove that you can reliably operate the injectors, and to answer five technical questions on injectors and how they work. We will be making a Vlog of this. Look on Shed 52C site and get yourself in to the Mutual Improvement Chat room.



BTW, she's an 0-4-4 and unique. Now, does she need a name? "Striver"? "Black Dragon"!? Post your answer in the MIC room!

COHORT DAYS

Will be on October **22nd**, **23rd**, **26th** and **29th**. If you want to come, *log into the MIC room, answer the question about alloys and say what date(s) you could come.* Programme will vary between injector magic and absolute block according to the weather.

As you can see, Green Dragon has been out and about on an absolutely beautiful Autumn day. There are two dates where you can work shadow lighting up and cleaning if you can be at the shed for 07:00. They are Saturday **20th** and Sunday **28th** October. For reasons you'll learn about if you come, it's unlikely these days will be on Green Dragon. She ran beautifully light engine . . .

Autumn Half Term 2018



Signalling School

I hope you recognise (and like) the repro. block instruments under construction in the picture! As the cold, wet winters set in, our big project is to build a physical, working model of Yapton Crossing. Those of you who have already had your first go at absolute block on the (brilliant fun and highly competitive) computer simulation will have some inkling of what's in store. HOWEVER, these block instruments will be connected to an *evil* control panel where the trainer can send you really horrid bell codes. I think you'll like it . . . If you haven't been on Yapton Crossing yet, you will have ample opportunity on a half-term COHORT day. If you do want to get cold and wet, there will be opportunities over winter to "work shadow" S&T as they erect new signals at Slaggyford (which the ORR says must be done by March!) "Work shadow" in this instance means wielding a paint brush!

