

Governors voluntarily working on your behalf to ensure all aspects of the school's work are effective and compliant.
Chair: Mrs C Barclay
Vice Chair: Mr T Watson
Local Authority: Mrs P Spoors
Co-opted: Mrs J Winn, Mr M Grinstead, Mrs C Williams
Parent: Mrs K Bailey, **Vacancy**, **Vacancy**
Associate Governor: W Fickling
Staff: Mrs J Henry, Mrs A M Boyd
You may contact any governor via the school. **Complaints in the first instance are to be communicated to the head teacher Mrs Boyd.**

Autumn Term 1B week 2
News
13.11.20

News is through e mail, Facebook and website – please make sure we have your e mail address.

ATTENDANCE WB 9.11.20
WHOLE SCHOOL
96.69 %
Well done everyone!

Shotton Hall Primary School
Working together to
SHINE
Successful, Happy, Inspired
and Nurtured towards
Excellence

Headteacher: Mrs A.M. Boyd
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs J Bowmaker
Assistant Headteachers: Mrs S. Sands, Ms E. Metcalfe
Behaviour, Attendance and Safeguarding Officer: Mr K. Morgan
SENCO/Pastoral: Mrs J. Bowmaker
Site Manager: Mrs W. Fickling
School Business Manager: Mrs J. Johnson

GOVERNOR VACANCY: We are delighted to have two parent governor vacancies! This is a fantastic opportunity to work as part of the school's decision making and monitoring team! Parent governors work as part of our body to ensure the work of the school is compliant and meets the needs of all learners and staff. The governing body as a whole oversees and approves every aspect of school life. They work closely with the headteacher. If you have a lot of time on your hands during the day and evenings and can give that time freely to the school why not contact Mrs Boyd for more information about the selection process. We are currently holding all meetings by Teams to be Covid compliant.

SCHOOL TEAMS WRISTBANDS: Team Queen Elizabeth II, Team Sir David Attenborough, Team Sir Tom Moore and Team Neil Armstrong. Children can buy a coloured wristband with their team name on. We have two different sizes of band, so there should be one suitable for every child. We would love to see our pupils wearing their colours with pride every day. Wristbands cost just £1 and must be bought on Parent Pay. They are listed under 'Activity'. You can buy as many as you like. Please do not send cash into school.

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL: The Salvation Army are supporting children by asking for a donation of a new toy or gift. If you would like to donate please send your gift into school by Friday 27th November.

COLLECTION AND DROP OFF: The site is very safe so if you want to drop your child at the gate for them to come up by themselves that is fine by us. I would just like to remind you to maintain your 2 metre distance when leaving the site.

CLASS DOJO: Please continue to talk to your child's teacher using this tool but remember they are teaching throughout the day so may not always be able to respond immediately. We will send you messages through dojo too!

ATTENDANCE: Please inform the office of non-attendance so it can be added to our online system. Do not send a message through class dojo as it will not get to the Admin team.

STAFFING: As we manage staff absence you may see different teachers working with different groups of pupils this is in line with the government legislation. Please respect the 2 metre rule as you approach us to talk. We have a number of visiting staff in the team at the moment who are working alongside our permanent staff and are fully compliant with the Covid guidance.

SOCIAL MEDIA: We continue to monitor our social media and thank you for your positive comments and promotion of our school. If you have an issue please get in touch and speak to us so that we can resolve your issue quickly-we will do our best to work with you for the benefit of your children.

COVID LOCKDOWN: We are aware that there is a significant amount of anxiety in some families and in children caused by compliance with Covid lockdown rules. We are here to help you even if you just need to talk to someone. Please do not hesitate to make contact. We believe if we look after our families we look after our children and with all our care they will learn well in our school setting. We are already seeing children making great strides in their learning now that they have a routine and are enjoying school.

MORNING ROUTINE: Following a review it is not our intention to re-commence any of our wrap around care in the spring term 2021. Due to Covid guidance our teaching and support staff are being used to ensure the safety and well being of the children during our core hours. However, we will review regularly and inform you with good notice should our plans change. We will be continuing the very successful breakfast bagel initiative at cost to the school as the government subsidy will end soon. We are very proud to say that no child will go hungry at the start of the school day. Children may bring a piece of fruit for break time if they wish, grapes must be halved please.

School gate opening times:

Pre school collection 11.45am

Morning Waveney Road 8.35 am Evening 3 pm

Morning Passfield Way 8.40am Evening 3.10 pm

The gates around the perimeter of school are locked at 8.50am.

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY: We are thoroughly enjoying our 'Children in Need' day today and children are behaving beautifully as always. Thanks to parents and carers for your support. Your children are a credit to you.

DRESS AS YOU PLEASE FRIDAY: If pupils would like to they may wear their own clothes. Some pupils prefer to still come in uniform and we are fine with that. There is no need to donate £1 as we did previously. This is an initiative for this half term only. We are so delighted with our children and their attitude to their learning that we wanted to give them something to look forward to each week as a thank you. We are so limited in what we can do right now and we know how much many of our children enjoy wearing their own clothes for school. We do not expect you to buy new outfits for your children, simply an opportunity to wear their weekend gear a day early.

CHRISTMAS PARTY! I am in the process of planning for Christmas and trying very hard to make sure this is a lovely event in school for us all whilst still complying with the legislation to keep us all safe. Each class will have an allocated hall day for their party. They may come to school in party or fancy dress on their party day. Their teaching team will organise fun activities, party games and dancing etc followed by crisps and a drink. We will have a quiet zone for those that need it! Sadly we cannot request party food donations because of Covid regulations. Children will bring a selection box home on party day compliments of Shotton Hall Primary School. If you don't wish your child to have one of these please let the teacher know via class dojo.

PRE SCHOOL	WEDNESDAY	2.12.20		CLASS 7	THURSDAY	10.12.20
CLASS 1 AND 2	THURSDAY	3.12.20		CLASS 8	FRIDAY	11.12.20
CLASS 3	FRIDAY	4.12.20		CLASS 9	MONDAY	14.12.20
CLASS 4	MONDAY	7.12.20		CLASS 10	TUESDAY	15.12.20
CLASS 5	TUESDAY	8.12.20		CLASS 11	WEDNESDAY	16.12.20
CLASS 6	WEDNESDAY	9.12.20		CLASS 12	THURSDAY	17.12.20

CHRISTMAS DINNER AND JUMPER DAY FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER: This is an opportunity for your child to come in their xmas jumper/ t shirt/dress if they wish, if not they can wear uniform or own clothes as it is also a dress down Friday and class 8 party! Further information will follow. There will be no PE as the hall will be set up for xmas dinner.



SAFEGUARDING: FIRST CONTACT: If you have a concern about a child or young person First Contact has made it easy for you to get in touch with them. You can contact them using the following: Telephone: 03000 26 79 79, E-mail: scd@durham.gov.uk. Website: www.durham.gov.uk/.../firstcontact

POLITE NOTICE: If your child has been sent home to isolate from any school, they must remain at home. Please **DO NOT** bring your isolating child onto the school site. Please do not bring pupils from the academy onto site to collect your children- they must wait at the gate following our rule of 1 person only on site for collection and drop off. This is due to risk of Covid.

Dates for Your Diary

This diary is given in good faith to enable you to set your own diaries. There may be some changes beyond our control and we will communicate this through text or via the newsletter. There may also be additional events which we will inform you of as they occur. Please make sure we have your up to date phone number and e mail.

SEE LIST ABOVE FOR PARTY DAYS

Date	Day	Class/year	Event	Information
11.12.20	FRIDAY	ALL	XMAS JUMPER AND XMAS DINNER DAY	ALL PUPILS TO WEAR XMAS JUMPER IF THEY WANT TO. XMAS DINNER WILL BE SERVED

Holiday dates for the school year

Thursday 17th December 2020	Last day of school before Christmas holidays
Friday 18 th December 2020	School closed for PD day
Tuesday 5th January 2021	School reopens for term 2a
Friday 12 th February 2021	Last day of school before half term
Monday 22nd February 2021	School closed for PD day
Tuesday 23 rd February 2021	School reopens for term 2b
Friday 26th March 2021	Last day of school before Easter holidays
Monday 12 th April 2021	School reopens for term 3a
Monday 3rd May 2021	School closed for Bank Holiday Monday
Friday 28 th May 2021	Last day of school before half term week
Monday 7th June 2021	School reopens for term 3b
Tuesday 20 th July 2021	Last day of school before Summer holidays



Attendance

- Green – SDA 96.33%
- Yellow – STM 97.13%
- Blue – NA 98.36%
- Red – QEII 96.58%

CLASS 1 94.14%	CLASS 2 95.81%	CLASS 3 90.95%	CLASS 4 99.01%	CLASS 5 99.52% WINNERS!	CLASS 6 98.92%	CLASS 7 97.60%	CLASS 8 99.03% WINNERS!	CLASS 9 97.67%	CLASS 10 94.54%	CLASS 11 97.35%	CLASS 12 95.76%
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Certificates

RESILIENT: Matthew S C2, Jake F C6, Daniel W C4, Isla S C7, Cara G C12

REFLECTIVE: Macie-Ella W C1, Nathanael B C11

RESOURCEFUL: Isobel D C3, Eden Knight C9

RECIPROCAL: Yuvraj M C5, Maizi I C10

RESPECTFUL: Riley P C8

BIRTHDAYS: Jessica B C1, Austin I C3, Olivia L C3, Gracie C C5, Isla M C6, Isabella M C7, HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

