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Autumn Term 1a Week 2
News
Week beginning 17.09.21

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

ATTENDANCE
WHOLE SCHOOL
94.20%
Well done everyone!

Shotton Hall Primary School
Working together to
S H I N E
Successful, Happy, Inspired
and Nurtured towards
Excellence

Headteacher: Mrs A.M. Boyd
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs J Bowmaker
Assistant Headteacher: 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

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are absolutely delighted with the way your children have returned to school and settled into their new classes. They really are a credit to you all.

We will be holding our parent consultations this term by phone or by Teams. If you would like an appointment, please contact your class teacher through Class Dojo and they will set an appointment for you. If you wish to discuss your child through messaging via class Dojo then please do so. If you and your child are happy and you do not feel the need to meet, then that is also fine. Teachers will contact you if they need to. Of course you can contact us at any time if you have a concern.

Teachers will allocate appointments on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday between 3 and 4.30 pm in the weeks beginning 27th September and 4th October 2021. If you would like an appointment outside of these times, please contact your class teacher through dojo and they will do their best to accommodate you.

If you wish to speak to Mrs Bowmaker our Deputy Head Teacher regarding SENCO, Ms Metcalfe our Assistant Headteacher regarding curriculum or Mr Morgan regarding behaviour and attendance or myself as headteacher regarding any aspect of school including Safeguarding please contact the reception desk and we will make every effort to set up a meeting by phone or teams.

Regards

Mrs Anita Boyd

Headteacher

FIRE DRILL: We conducted a fire drill this morning and all children responded very well. We vacated the building and assembled on the field within 5 minutes. Well done everyone!

SAFETY NOTICE: We would like to kindly remind you that the area at the bottom of the school drive and also the area at the bottom of Waveney Rd are not to be used as a turning circle, we have had a couple of near misses recently and feel this is something we needed to bring to your attention as a matter of safety for pupils entering and leaving school.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB COLLECTION: Children needed to be collected from the After School Club doors near reception, access is gained through the buzzer at the day gate in Waveney, we cannot release children to walk down the drive themselves for safeguarding reasons.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER: Tempest photographer will be in school on Monday 27th September, please remember to send your child into school in full uniform. This will be for individual photo's and with siblings in school. Thank you.

Start and end times to the school day

Now that we are no longer required to work in bubbles from September these will be the start time for lessons. Gates will open at 8.40 am and close at 9 am, reopen at 3 pm and close at 3.30 pm.

Classes 1, 2, 3 and 4 8.55am - 3.10pm

Classes 5.6.7.8.9.10.11 and 12 9am-3.15 pm

This ensures all pupils receive 5 hours learning time throughout the school day.

GOVERNOR VACANCY: We have a vacancy for a governor on our body. This is a local authority governor vacancy therefore the successful candidate does not need to be a parent in the school. Expressions of interest to Mrs Boyd please.

SCHOOL BAGS: Children are now allowed to bring a SMALL bag into school.

DOGS: A polite request to please keep dogs away from the exit points of our school as some of our children are nervous of dogs and we have received concerns from some parents.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: Breakfast Club is open to Reception children upto Year 6, this will not need to be booked in advance but will need to be paid for in advance please through Parentpay. The cost per day is £2 for the first child and £1 for any siblings. After School Club will be open to Reception children upto Year 6 children and is open on a Monday through to Thursday **NOT FRIDAY'S**. This **MUST** be booked in advance and paid for in advance via Parentpay please. Please contact the school office to reserve a place for your child. The cost per day is £4 for the first child and £3.50 for any siblings.

POLITE REMINDER: We would like to remind you that as a DCC School there is a **NO SMOKING** policy in place for in or around the school site, this includes E-cigarettes. Thank you for your cooperation.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Please remember to complete a leave of absence form for any time taken out of school time. Thank you.

WEARABLE TECHNOLOGY: Please could we remind parents that pupils are NOT allowed to wear Apple watches or Smart watches in school as they can be connected to the Internet and are also expensive items. This applies to jewellery in general, a small stud earring can be worn in the ear but necklaces, bracelets and other hooped or dangle earrings are prohibited in school. **Earrings should be removed for P.E or plasters provided from home to cover them. Thank you.**

WATER BOTTLES: Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle every day to use in class. warmer. We have water dispensers in school which children have access to.

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.

Gates open at 8.35 am and close at 8.50am at the Passfield Way entrance and close at 9am at the Waveney Road entrance **after which time the day gate on Waveney Road is used.** This enables the site to be safely used for learning in the first lesson.

Preschool entry 8.50 am, gate opens for collection 11.45 am.

Gates open at 3 pm and close at 3.25pm.

P.E Policy: Reminder of our P.E Policy. Pupils should be appropriately dressed for P.E. in either school kit (red t-shirt, black shorts/leggings/trousers), or other suitable clothes including t-shirt, shorts or tracksuit bottoms that follow PE kit guidelines. Footwear can include plimsols, trainers or barefoot (depending on the suitability of the activity).

SAFEGUARDING: FIRST CONTACT: If you have a concern about a child or young person at any time 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

Testing reminder for parents and carers.

Have coronavirus symptoms and need a test?

If anyone in your household has symptoms you need to book a PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) test as soon as possible. For more information and to book a PCR test visit www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call NHS test and trace free on 119

As coronavirus symptoms in children can vary it is advised that children who are unwell should not attend school until they are well again.

Alternatively Durham County Council offers support to people seeking further advice about coronavirus through the County Durham Together Community Hub, details of which can be found at www.durham.gov.uk/covid19help or by phoning 03000 260 260.

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.

| Date | Day | Class/year | Event | Information |
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Holiday dates

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| Thursday 21 st October 2021 | Last day of school before half term week |
| Friday 22 nd October 2021 | CPD Day school will be closed to pupils |
| Monday 1st November 2021 | School reopens for term 1b |
| Friday 17 th December 2021 | School closes for Xmas holidays |
| Tuesday 4 th & Wednesday 5 th January 2022 | CPD Days school will be closed to pupils |
| Thursday 6th January 2022 | School reopens for term 2a |



Attendance

Yellow – STM %

Blue – NA %

Green – SDA %

Red – QEII %

| CLASS 1 | CLASS 2 | CLASS 3 | CLASS 4 | CLASS 5 | CLASS 6 | CLASS 7 | CLASS 8 | CLASS 9 | CLASS 10 | CLASS 11 | CLASS 12 |
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| 94.44% | 98.22% | 93.33% | 94.14% | 88.89% | 99.26% WINNERS! | 90.04% | 92.96% | 98.15% WINNERS! | 89.54% | 96.18% | 95.24% |



Certificates

RESILIENT: James W C1, Jace L C8, Kaiden B C11, Olivia P C12.

REFLECTIVE: Oscar M C2, Oscar H C4, Sofia K C5, Leo K C6, Rohan C C9.

RESOURCEFUL: Imogen R C10, Matthew W C11.

RECIPROCAL: Jasper R C7.

RESPECTFUL: Macie-Ella W C3.

Pen Licence

Olly H & Leanne S both C8, Kai B C10. Well done to you all!



Birthdays

CLASS 1 RYAN G

CLASS 3 JAKE W

CLASS 4 SEBB P

CLASS 7 TAYLOR H

CLASS 8 LEWIS A, CAL J.

CLASS 11 EDEN K, SKYE R.

CLASS 12 ELLA C

HAPPY BIRTHDAY- we hope you enjoy your special day!

