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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**

**Spring Term 1a Week 5**  
**News**  
**Week beginning 07.02.22**

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

**ATTENDANCE**  
**WHOLE SCHOOL**  
**93.21%**  
**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 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



**URGENT SAFEGUARDING: At SHPS we believe we all have a duty to keep all children safe.** If you have a concern about any child or young person 'First Contact' has made it very easy for you to get in touch with them and this can be done anonymously. Telephone: 03000 267979, E-mail: [scd@durham.gov.uk](mailto:scd@durham.gov.uk).  
[www.durham.gov.uk/firstcontact](http://www.durham.gov.uk/firstcontact) **Thank you so much for your vigilance.**

**SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL VACANCIES:** Durham County Road Safety Team have asked school to let parents/carers know of 2 vacancies for School Crossing Patrol on Burnhope Way. The jobs are listed on North East Jobs, the links are as follows: [https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School\\_Crossing\\_Patrol/218612](https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School_Crossing_Patrol/218612)  
And [https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School\\_Crossing\\_Patrol/219515](https://www.northeastjobs.org.uk/job/School_Crossing_Patrol/219515)

If you don't have access to the Internet but are interested in applying please contact the Road Safety Team at Durham County Council tel: 03000 268170 and an application form can be sent out in the post.

**WORLD BOOK DAY:** This year, we will be joining in with the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of World Book Day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. We will be having a full day of lots of exciting activities in school to celebrate the occasion. We are inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. However, this is optional. If children would like to dress up, their costume can either be a shop bought one or a home-made one – we love to see both! Keep an eye on your children's class dojo page for further details. Next week, children will be bringing home a letter with their book day vouchers attached. As always, we are very much looking forward to this event in school.

**VIRTUAL CLASS ASSEMBLIES:** Starting in February we will be posting to Facebook/Dojo our class assemblies, these will be held either in class or in the hall and will be recorded and posted on the morning for you to be able to view online.

**Pre-school Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Classes 1 & 2 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Classes 3 & 4 Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Classes 5 & 6 Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March**  
**Classes 7 & 8 Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

**Classes 9 & 10 Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

**Classes 11 & 12 Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

Please note these will not be in school events for parents/carers to attend but rather available on Facebook/Dojo. Thank you.

**PARKING:** Following a recent complaint from one of our neighbours could we kindly remind you not to block kerbs or driveways and to please take any litter home with you. Thank you

**LUNCHES:** Please inform the school office if you would like to change your child to either packed lunch or school dinners, we would need 2 weeks notice to make the necessary changes. 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.

**JEWELLERY:** Small stud earrings can be worn but necklaces, bracelets and other hooped or dangle earrings are not allowed for safety reasons. Earrings must be removed for P.E or plasters provided from home to cover them.

**BREAKFAST CLUB:** Breakfast Club is open to Reception children up to Year 6, this does not need to be booked 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:** 'Night Owls' Club must be booked and paid for 1 week in advance via Parentpay and we are unable to accept last minute bookings. Requests for emergency care for children must be discussed and approved by Mrs Boyd or the senior lead in school. The club is open to Reception children up to Year 6 from Monday to Thursday. Due to low numbers there is no club on Friday.

Collection is via the day gate which needs to be pushed as it does not open automatically and from the small hall doors next to reception. We do not release children to walk down the drive for safeguarding reasons. Siblings must be minimum 14 yrs of age to collect other siblings and a form will need to be completed to authorise this. **Children must be collected no later than 5 pm.**

**CONTACT DETAILS:** Please can you ensure we have up to date contact numbers in case of illness or accidents in school.

**PACKED LUNCHES:** We operate as a healthy school. Please see the food policy on our website for more information. Children with sweets and chocolates will not be able to eat them at lunchtime so please do not put them in their lunch boxes. A small cake or biscuit bar is acceptable.

**PARENTPAY:** Please pay by card rather than bank transfer as these take longer to process. Please pay for dinners either weekly or monthly in advance.

**ADDITIONAL DAYS HOLIDAY:** as advised by DCC we have identified an additional days holiday as Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Children will return to school Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

**SCHOOL TIMES:**

Gates open 8.40 am and close at 9 am, reopen at 3 pm and close at 3.30 pm.

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

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

Classes 5.6.7.8.9.10.11 and 12 9am-3.15 pm

## POLITE REMINDERS:

Contact the office to report sickness as messages via Dojo do not come to the office.

Complete a leave of absence form for any time taken out of school time.

Contact the office if your child has to attend an appointment- they do not have access to Dojo.

Keep your dog on a lead and away from the entrances.

In line with DCC policy this is a non smoking site including vapes.

**Our admin staff do not have access to Dojo so please ring them to report absence.**

### Testing reminder for parents and carers

#### **Have coronavirus symptoms and need a test?**

If your child has symptoms it is advisable to do a Lateral Flow Test (LFT). If the test is positive, then your child needs to isolate and repeat an LFT on day 5 and day 6, if these are negative your child can return to school. If your child tests positive, it is government advice that family members complete an LFT daily for 7 days. More information is available at [www.durham.gov.uk/covid19help](http://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
03.03.22	Thursday	Whole School	World Book Day	Dress as favourite book character. (Please see section on Newsletter - World Book Day for more info)

## Holiday dates

Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Last day of school before half term week
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	<b>School closed - Additional day holiday</b>
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	<b>CPD Day school will be closed to pupils</b>
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022</b>	<b>School opens for term 2b</b>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	School closes for Easter Holidays
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022</b>	<b>School opens for term 2b</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022	School closed for May Bank Holiday
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022</b>	<b>School opens</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Last day of school before half term week
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022</b>	<b>School opens for term 2c</b>
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2022	Last day of school before Summer Holidays
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2022</b>	<b>CPD Day school will be closed to pupils</b>
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022</b>	<b>School opens for term 3a</b>



## Attendance

Yellow – STM 94.19%

Blue – NA 92.01%

Green – SDA 91.07%

Red – QEII 95.20%

CLASS 1 95.83%	CLASS 2 96.35% WINNERS!	CLASS 3 96.00%	CLASS 4 88.45%	CLASS 5 93.33%	CLASS 6 86.64%	CLASS 7 91.30%	CLASS 8 95.42%	CLASS 9 99.17% WINNERS!	CLASS 10 95.08%	CLASS 11 93.75%	CLASS 12 87.14%
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## Certificates

**RESILIENT:** Finley L C2, Jack H C3, Charlie L C10, Finn T C11.

**REFLECTIVE:** Natassia L C1, Freya B C4, Lilah P C7, Isabella M C9, Owen H C11.

**RESOURCEFUL:** Una R C6, Lucas J C12, Artie R C12.

**RECIPROCAL:** Thomas P C5.

**RESPECTFUL:** Grace R C8.

## Pen Licence

Well done to you!



## Birthdays

CLASS 2 HARPER R.

CLASS 6 T-JAY M.

CLASS 7 ANNABELLE S & HEIDI S.

CLASS 9 ALFIE M & AVA-GRACE E.

CLASS 11 LOUIE M.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY- we hope you enjoy your special day!

