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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.**

## Spring Term 2a Week 7

### News

Week beginning 04.04.22

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

ATTENDANCE  
WHOLE SCHOOL  
**92.42%**

## Shotton Hall Primary School

Working together to

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**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/Carers,

We've had a wonderful week in school, it's been a pleasure to walk around our school and see the excellent work our children are completing in class and the many Easter cards and decorations that have been made. It was also a delight to be able to welcome parents/carers and grandparents into our school once again this week for our class 11 & 12 assemblies, I'm sure you enjoyed them! I hope you have a lovely Easter break and you have chance to spend time with your families and that the weather is kind to us!

Just as a reminder for Parent Consultations and some in person class assemblies. Please take note of these dates in our "Dates for Your Diary" section of the newsletter in case you need to request time from your place of work. These assemblies will be held in the large hall and entry will be via the small hall doors.

We will also be holding in person Parent Consultation appointments in school, the dates for these are **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 3.30 – 5pm and Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 3.30 – 5pm. To make an appointment please contact your child's teacher via Dojo**, if you are unable to attend please let the teacher know also via Dojo and a telephone call can be made. These events will take place in the large hall with entry via the small hall doors. It certainly feels like things are slowly returning to some sort of normality and we look forward to welcoming you back into our school.

Regards

Anita Boyd  
Headteacher.

**THEATRE SCHOOL PLACES:** The Academy at Shotton Hall are proud to offer each primary school 2 free places (4-11 yrs) to pupils who may benefit from creative learning initiative. Each student receives a free uniform of t shirt and jacket. We are looking for commitment and a willing to learn. Theatre School runs Saturday term times 10am -1pm. Summer term dates: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June, Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July. Please contact the Academy direct if interested.

## MESSAGE FROM DURHAM UNIVERSITY:

Durham University are running a range of sports and activity camps during the Easter holidays that cater for children aged 5-16 years of age. Holiday camps include Multi sports, Dance and Drama, Adventure, Football and Tennis camps.

Mini sports/Multi sports/Dance and Drama are all £15 per day (09.30am-4.30pm) with wraparound care available between 08.30-09.30am and 4.30-5.30pm for an extra £1.50 per hour. The Adventure camp is for 12-16 year olds and is £120 for 4 days and includes all onsite/offsite activities and lunch each day.

Here is the link to find out more/book - <https://www.dur.ac.uk/conference.booking/details/?id=1893>

Here are some FAQ's relating to the camps - <https://www.durham.ac.uk/colleges-and-student-experience/team-durham/community/faqs/>

Also, children aged 14 and above can volunteer with the University at the summer holiday camps. Here is the link to register your child's interest - <https://forms.office.com/r/7BUR2CX9jz>



Please contact Durham University direct if this is something you would be interested in. Thank you.



**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.

**MESSAGE FROM THE ACADEMY AT SHOTTON HALL:**

Hi all

We hope that the Y6s are ok and the parents are happy with their place allocation for Secondary School.

We are absolutely delighted with how many of your children and parents have chosen us!

Please let your parents know that if there are any problems with their allocation then please contact us directly on:

enquiries@shottonhallacademy.co.uk

0191 5180222

Please feel free to share this graphic or link and the info above. Thank you all.

<http://www.shottonhallacademy.co.uk/article/2022/3/1/year-6-admissions>

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**ONLINE SAFETY:** A number of our younger children have been talking about and drawing characters from the PG Game “Poppy’s Playtime”, these characters include, Huggy Wuggy, Kissy Missy, Poppy Playtime and Mommy Long Legs. The game is a **PC Horror puzzle game which is PEGI rated 12+** and is not suitable for younger children. However, the game is being imitated on the popular game **Roblox** and it is also very popular on **Youtube**. Because of the innocent name of the game many videos are not being picked up by YouTube’s filters. We urge parents to be vigilant in what their children are playing and watching online.

## Fun and Food activities taking place over the Easter Holidays Limited to 30 children

Dawdon Youth & Community Centre, Queen Alexandra Road, Seaham SR7 7NH	Joanne Bowen	0191 513 1777 / 07581 176980
Greenhills Community Centre, Stephen's Terrace, Wheatley Hill DH6 3JS	Hilary Jamieson	01429 820214
Lisa Dixon Centre, Burt Close, Haswell DH6 2DA	Hayley Hood	0191 526 0987 / 07889 725783
Pelton Community Centre, Front Street, Chester-le-Street DH2 1DE	Clare Robinson	0191 3700726
Shotton Community Hub, Bridge Road, Shotton Colliery DH6 2PQ	Denise Brooks	0191 526 4213
St Paul's Centre, St Paul's Gardens, Spennymoor DL16 7LS	Maureen Aspey	01388 813404 / 07811 166763
The Pavilion, 1 Helford Road, Peterlee SR8 1ER	Sharon Pounder	0191 586 9957
Trimdon Community College, 64 Elwick View, Trimdon TS29 6JU	Annette Donohue	07825 199080
Trimdon Station Community Centre, Station Road West, Trimdon Station TS29 6BS	Derek Bradley	01429 882200 / 07808 480029
Trimdon Village Hall, 1 Hallgarth Road, Trimdon TS29 6JX	Geoff Appleton	01429 881948
Witton-le-Wear Community Centre, School Street, Bishop Auckland DL14 0AS	Derek Bradley	01429 882200 / 07808 480029

**SCOOTERS/BIKES:** Can we kindly remind parents that children's scooters/bikes are not to be used inside school grounds there have been some near misses lately and we want to keep everyone safe whilst on site.

**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

**SAFETY:** Please can we remind parents not to use the entrance to the school in Waveney Rd as a turning circle, as there has been damage done to the fence. 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.

**SCHOOL MEAL CHARGES:** As of Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 school meal charges will be increasing to £2.20 per day (£11 per week).

**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. 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. Please do not put excessive amounts of food into your child's lunch box and can we also remind parents that pop/fizzy drinks are not permitted. Milk or water can be provided by school at lunchtime. Also as a matter of safety please do not send hot food in flasks into school with your child. If you would prefer your child to have a hot meal in school please contact the office. Please see the food policy on our website for more information.

**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.

#### **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.**

### 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
25.04.22	Monday	Whole School	Parent consultation 3.30-5pm	Appts booked via class dojo
26.04.22	Tuesday	Whole School	Parent consultation 3.30-5pm	Appts booked via class dojo
09.05.22	Monday	Class 9	Visit to Newcastle Synagogue	Details to follow (To be confirmed)
11.05.22	Wednesday	Classes 1 & 2	Hall Hill Farm	Letters coming out tonight.
12.05.22	Thursday	Pre-School	Class Assembly for Parent/Carers	9.10am in the large hall
17.05.22	Tuesday	Selection of pupils	Artist Project	More details to follow
19.05.22	Thursday	Class 1 & 2	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	9.10am in the large hall (more info to follow)
25.05.22	Wednesday	Class 11	Snorkeling Experience	Peterlee Leisure Centre (more details to follow)
26.05.22	Thursday	Class 10	Snorkeling Experience	Peterlee Leisure Centre (more details to follow)
26.05.22	Thursday	Class 3	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	9.10am in the large hall
26.05.22	Thursday	Class 4	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	2.30pm in the large hall
27.05.22	Friday	Whole School	Queens Jubilee	Fun activities for the whole school (more details to follow)
09.06.22	Thursday	Class 5	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	9.10am in the large hall
09.06.22	Thursday	Class 6	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	2.30pm in the large hall
14.06.22	Tuesday	Class 11 (Yr6 only) & Class 12	Moor House Adventure Centre	(More details to follow)
16.06.22	Thursday	Class 7	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	9.10am in the large hall
16.06.22	Thursday	Class 8	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	2.30pm in the large hall
23.06.22	Thursday	Class 9	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	9.10am in the large hall
23.06.22	Thursday	Class 11	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	2.30pm in the large hall
30.06.22	Thursday	Class 10	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	9.10am in the large hall
30.06.22	Thursday	Class 12	Class Assembly for Parents/Carers	2.30pm in the large hall
30.06.22 a.m	Thursday	Class 11	Performance at Shotton Hall Academy	(More details to follow)
04.07.22	Monday	Class 9	Hancock Museum	(More details to follow)
05.07.22	Tuesday	Class 3 & 4	Hancock Museum	(More details to follow)
05.07.22	Tuesday am	Class 10	The Big Sing (Sage)	(More details to follow)
06.07.22 or 07.07.22 (TBC)	Wednesday or Thursday	Class 10 and Class 11 (Yr 5 only)	Seaham Harbour Marina	(More details to follow)
18.07.22	Monday	Yr6	Performance for Parents	Main Hall pm (time to be confirmed)
19.07.22	Tuesday	Yr6	Performance for Parents	Main Hall pm (time to be confirmed)
19.07.22	Tuesday	Pre-School	Sports Day	Details to follow
20.07.22	Wednesday	KS1 C1-6	Sports Day	Details to follow
21.07.22	Thursday	KS2 C7-10	Sports Day	Details to follow



## Holiday dates

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 89.97%

Blue – NA 90.99%

Green – SDA 94.25%

Red – QEII 93.90%

CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4	CLASS 5	CLASS 6	CLASS 7	CLASS 8	CLASS 9	CLASS 10	CLASS 11	CLASS 12
97.92%	94.79%	95.50%	89.58%	93.33%	86.21%	93.10%	90.00%	90.00%	94.70%	96.09%	87.86%
WINNERS!										WINNERS!	



## Certificates

**RESILIENT:** Gracie C C7.

**REFLECTIVE:** Emily W C2, Isaac H C3, Charlie S C6, Sophia W C11, Daniel C C12.

**RESOURCEFUL:** Jack L C1, Olivia L C5, Jace L C8, Patrick C10.

**RECIPROCAL:**

**RESPECTFUL:** Robyn C C4, Ava Grace E C9, Thomas C C11.

**Pen Licence** Mena D C5, Well done to you!



## Birthdays

CLASS 4 BERTY H

CLASS 7 KARA P, SOLOMON F, LUCY W.

CLASS 8 SCARLETOSE C, JAKE F.

CLASS 10 PATRICK C, HARRY F, TILLY T.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY- we hope you enjoy your special day!

