



Newsletter 23rd March 2018



Our attendance target is 97%

**Up until this week
95%**



Dear Parents,

We have had a great week, with lots of activity! Otters had their skipping and parachute festival and Badgers are off to King John's Oak today to try out a new pack of 'Historical Tree Cards' which the children of Shute helped to trial a year ago. It will be interesting for the children to see how the tree has changed in a year. Today we have donned our Sporty Gear for Sport's Relief. We raised an excellent £46.40.

Yesterday we were treated to a show like no other! The Spring Sing was absolutely AMAZING! We have such talent at Shute, and how fantastic to see the smiles on faces, super singing, great dancing and most importantly everyone enjoying themselves! Sarah works 'miracles' we are **so** lucky to have such a dedicated singing teacher who can really bring out the very best in all of the children! Thank you to Miss Barclay for helping out back stage (and Scarlett's Mum for hoovering up feathers in the church!!)



On Monday, your child will be bringing home a letter about **Grow a £1**. We are hoping to raise enough funds to have a whole school trip to The Noah's Ark Zoo near Bristol.

The next Celebration assembly will be **Thursday 3rd May at 2:45pm** as the Y3/4 team event has been re-arranged for the afternoon of 4th May. We will also be having our **Maypole Display** in June, to give us a little more time to prepare for it!



On Monday 26th March at 2:30pm we will be having our traditional **Egg Rolling** down the drive. The children will also be able to enter the Easter Competition; **best bonnet, or decorated egg for a 50p per entry**. The PTFA will be judging the hats and eggs in the morning and the winners will be announced at the end of the day. We hope to have a 'cracking' day!

Last day of term **Wednesday 28th March** normal collection times.

Have a great weekend,

Clare Rinaldi

Summer Term Lunch Menus

Please return options by Monday 26th March. Spare copies in the school lobby.

[Check out The Midweek Herald this week](http://www.midweekherald.co.uk/news/shute-school-pupils-take-on-a-masterchef-challenge-1-5441755)

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Lunch Money

Please remember to make payments at the beginning of the week for your child's school lunches, cash or cheques made payable to Devon County Council, £2.40 per meal. Check with Mrs Haysom if you are unsure if your child's account is up to date.

Barton Hall Residential

Reminder that final payments are due in by 20th April 2018.

Uniform Orders

The next orders will be placed Wednesday 18th April 5pm for delivery in April. School uniform is available from School Trends please visit www.stparent.co.uk

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES – BAD WEATHER

AS WE ARE IN WINTER, A REMINDER FOR EXISTING PARENTS AND NEW INFORMATION FOR OTHERS

All possible efforts will be made to keep the school open. However, we will close the school if the following reasons apply which impacts on our ability to ensure the safety of your children.

These are:

- We cannot ensure that a sufficient number of staff can get in safely to supervise the children adequately
- The school site is dangerous or there is a lack of amenities e.g. frozen pipes, no heating etc.
- The weather forecast is predicting further severe weather that day and we cannot guarantee getting the children home safely

Closing the school is taken in consultation with the Executive Headteacher and Chair of Governors and will be made at around 7.30am to allow as much time as possible for you to make alternative arrangements.

We alert parents that the school is closed by Parentmail by text and by posting a closure notice on our school website. This should be the first place to look if in any doubt. The school website address is www.shuteprimary.co.uk

Closure notice will be posted on the local radio stations (BBC Devon, Heart FM). A notice will also be placed on the Devon County Council Severe Weather Website.

Please do not let children walk to school unaccompanied if the weather is severe and there is a doubt the school will be open.

If the school is open but you judge it is too dangerous to transport your children to school then please stay at home. We do ask that you let the school know as early as possible so that we know that they will not be attending.

Should the weather deteriorate during the day and we have to close the school early then the staff will begin telephoning the contact numbers on file to alert you all to this effect. Therefore it is vital we have your up-to-date contact numbers and that mobile telephones are switched on. Thanks.

Illness and Absence

If your child is absent from school, you are requested to contact the school office before 9.15am. As required by our Safeguarding Policy if the administration team have not heard from you by early morning they will contact you to establish why your child is not in school. If we are unable to establish contact we may have to report this to the School Education Welfare Officer.

If your child needs to attend a medical appointment in school time, please complete the S2 form which can be found on the school website below or a hard copy is available from the entrance.

<http://www.shuteprimary.co.uk/parents/illness-and-absence/> or ask Mrs Haysom for one prior to the absence.

If a child is late, he or she must be signed in by a parent or carer, they must follow the instructions in the entrance and use the intercom to alert a member of staff they have arrived.

Persistent lateness has a negative impact on learning and we support families to ensure all children arrive in good time. A letter or email must be sent to school with the child on their return to school and for any planned medical appointments.

School Diary

March		
Mon	26.3.18	Issue Grow a £1 Egg Rolling and Easter Parade 2:30pm
Wed	28.3.18	Yr 3 & 4 Gymnastics Celebration
Wed	28.3.18	Fox Class Swimming lesson .5
Wed	28.3.18	Last Day of Term
Thur	29.3.18	Easter Holiday

April		
Mon	16.4.18	Non Pupil Day
Tues	17.4.18	First Day of Term
Fri	20.4.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 1
Wed	25.4.18	Reception Swimming Lesson .1
Fri	27.4.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 2
Fri	27.4.18	Grow a £1 Market Day

May		
Wed	2.5.18	Class Photograph
Wed	2.5.18	Reception Swimming Lesson .2
Thurs	3.5.18	Devon Library Van Visit
Thurs	3.5.18	Celebration Assembly in the church all welcome
Fri	4.5.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 3
Wed	9.5.18	Reception Swimming Lesson 3
Fri	11.5.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 4
Fri	11.5.18	Hedgehog Class Cricket skills
Wed	16.5.18	Reception Swimming Lesson 4
Thur	17.5.18	Outdoor Classroom Day
Fri	18.5.18	Reception Trill Farm Day 5
Sat	19.5.18	Grounds Day
Mon	21.5.18	Walk to School Week more info to follow
Wed	23.5.15	Reception Swimming Lesson 6
Wed	23.5.18	Yr 6 PE Academy (selected Students)
Thur	24.5.18	Sports Day (a change from the Events calendar)
Fri	25.5.18	Non Pupil Day
Mon	28.5.18	Half term

June		
Mon	4.6.18	Non Pupil Day
Tue	5.6.18	Back to School
Fri	8.6.18	Celebration Assembly in the church - All Welcome
Tues	12.6.18	Musical Performance Axe Valley
Wed - Fri	13.6.18 – 15.6.18	Yr 5 & 6 Residential to Barton Hall
Tue	19.6.18	Move Make Motivate Part 3 (selected pupils)
Wed	20.6.18	Whole School Trip
Fri	22.6.18	Back Up Sports Day
Thurs	28.6.18	Devon Library Van Visit
Fri	29.6.18	International Mud Day

July		
Mon	2.7.18	Yr 6 Bikeability
Wed	4.7.18	Yr4 Play leader training
Thurs	5.7.18	Holt Seaton Wetlands Day
Fri	6.7.18	Celebration Assembly in the church - All Welcome
Wed	11.7.18	Yr5 & 6 Festival Axe Valley
Thurs	12.7.18	Shoot for the Stars
Fri	13.7.18	Yr5 & 6 Sports Day at Seaton Primary
Fri	20.7.18	Summer Fair
Thurs	26.7.18	Devon Library Van Visit
Fri	27.7.18	End of Summer Term
September		
Tues	5.9.18	Back to School