



Shute Primary School Newsletter 13th December 2018



Attendance Up to this week 95 %

Target 97%

Dear Parents,

What a busy week it has been! The children loved their experience in the space dome last Friday. On Monday the whole school experienced drama in its purest form, the pantomime at the Northcott theatre! Tuesday brought the nativity dress rehearsal for the whole school followed by on Wednesday and Thursday performances for parents. Finally, tomorrow will be Christmas jumper day followed by the Christmas fair. That is the joy of working in a primary school, it is never boring!

Nativity

The children were wonderful performing the Nativity that I saw on Wednesday morning. I was so impressed with their confidence, singing and acting. A huge well done to all the children who performed, special thanks to all the hard work put in by staff and thank you to the PTFA for providing refreshments.

Christmas Concert Thursday 20th December 2pm in the Church

Pantomime trip to see Jack and the Beanstalk

The children enjoyed their trip to the Northcott theatre on Monday to see Jack and the Beanstalk. It was a great day out for all and the children at Shute enjoyed shouting, 'He's behind you!' as well as the adults. There were lots of laughs and smiles throughout the performance.

I asked Ewan and Daniel in Badger class if they liked going to the panto.

Ewan said, 'It was really funny and was nice to have new experiences.'

Daniel said, 'I really enjoyed it because of all the traditional pantomime routines. It was great fun!'

Space Odyssey

What a wonderful sense of adventure the children had when they went into the space dome for their session last Friday. Each class had a unique experience inside the dome learning all about space but at the same time they said it was magical. I managed to attend the parent session after school and was so impressed by the teaching and visual show. It simply was breath taking and engaging.

Have a lovely weekend!

Patrick Germscheid

14th December - Christmas Jumper Day £1 Donation

This year the school has decided to support the Grace Kelly Ladybird Trust which has donations going to children who have cancer in lieu for wearing a **Christmas jumper and non-uniform** to school.

<https://www.gracekellyladybird.co.uk/christmasjumpers>

Christmas Jumpers for the GKLT | Grace Kelly Ladybird Trust
www.gracekellyladybird.co.uk

Christmas Fair

We are looking for donations of unwanted gifts for the Secret Santa, bottle for the Bottle Tombola and Raffle Prizes. Please bring any donations to the school hall.

100 Club numbers will be on sale at the Christmas Fair

Shoe Boxes for the Food Bank for local Families in need

Thank you to everyone who donated shoe boxes. The food bank were very grateful. Thank you.

Holly

Post Box for Christmas Cards

In the lobby is the Christmas Post Box, for children to post their Christmas cards to their friends. Please could we ask that surnames or initials and classes on the cards to make it easier for the children sorting the cards to get the right recipients. Many thanks

Online Payments ParentPay

Activations letters will be handed to you on Monday afterschool by your child's teacher, please contact Mrs Haysom should you have any questions. Cut-off date for ordering lunches for week commencing 8th January will be **Thursday 3rd January.**

Author Katie returns to Shute School

Please see the article in the Midweek Herald

<https://www.midweekherald.co.uk/news/former-pupil-tells-pupils-about-her-writing-1-5807502>

Data Processing Consent

As a school, under GDPR, we need to have clear consent to use your child's personal information in ways that fall outside our legal obligations. You may give and update your consent at any time by completing this short form:

<https://www.axebf.org.uk/information/privacy-policy/consent-form/>

Should access to this form online be difficult, paper copies are available from the school office.

Sickness

In line with NHS and Department of Education guidelines, children should not come into school for at least 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.

School lunches

Reminder that the cost of school meals for pupils aged 3-4 (In Squirrels FSU) and in Year 3 and above is **£2.40** per day. Lunch money should be paid in advance via ParentPay.

Uniform Orders.

Apologies for the delay in uniform orders the suppliers School Trends are experiencing supply and embroidery issues. I am in discussions with them and will keep you informed. Mrs Haysom

The next orders will be placed December 14th December. School uniform is available from School Trends please visit www.stparent.co.uk

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 L5 form which can be found on the school website. <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 the office and a member of staff will come and let you in to sign them in.

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.

Diary Dates:-

December 2018	
14.12.18	Christmas Fair 3:30-5pm & Christmas Jumper day
19.12.18	Christmas Lunch Day
20.12.18	Christmas Concert 2.00pm
21.12.18	Last day of Term- Finish 1.10pm
January 2019	
7.1.19	Non-Pupil Day
8.1.19	First Day Back to School