



Shute Primary School Newsletter 1st March 2019



Attendance Up to this week 94 %

Target 95%

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone had a nice half-term and you were able to enjoy the fantastic weather we have had. It was nice to see so many faces at the celebration assembly this morning at the church.

Thank you to all the parents who have attended parents evening and the many positive words. The teachers work extremely hard and it is important to develop the home/school relationship in order to help your child reach their potential. If you still haven't met with your child's teacher please arrange a time with them next week.

We have had a busy week at Shute with lots of interesting events. Squirrel class had a wonderful trip to Seaton Wetlands, Badgers had the MP Neil Parish in today along with having had their Mental Health Ambassador Day on Thursday, Hedgehogs have been enjoying using the new computers and Foxes have started a woodwork project with Mrs Robinson. Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,
Mr Germscheid

Mental Health Ambassador Day

Thursday 28th February – Year 5 & 6 Badger Class

The children learnt all about mental health. The day was led by Tamsyn Spear of EH4MH (Early Help 4 Mental Health).

Freya in Badger class said, 'We did lots of fun activities like balancing your mood on a balance board, experiencing our five senses, understanding and following the 10 a day choices, learning to be healthy both mentally and physically. We were all really pleased that Tamsyn came.'

Badger class will now choose a team of mental health ambassadors who will continue the learning from yesterday about mental health across the school.

Squirrels Seaton Wetlands Trip

Squirrel class had a great day out at Seaton Wetlands. They took part in lots of fun, practical activities linked to their learning about birds and worms. They made pine cone robins, explored the woods looking for nest building materials and found lots of worms and mini beasts.



B Sharp Music

The B sharp music team have started to work with Badger class over a course of four weeks on a Tuesday afternoon. The children and the B sharp team will be aiming to develop two songs. One being created from lyrics and melodies written by the class and a second instrumental song also based on the same theme. The children all seemed to enjoy the first session!

Parking at Shute Barton

Please could I ask that you be respectful when parking on the Shute Barton property, we are very lucky to be able to use the area for drop-off and collection times. It has been reported that some parents have parked on the grass and that children are playing ball games on the grass and we have been asked that this does not happen. Please respect their property.

World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 7th March. This year we invite children and staff to bring in their favourite book and to dress up as a character from this book. We will be celebrating the joy of reading a good book throughout the day. Parents are invited to attend at 2.45pm to share their favourite children's book or to be read to by their child within your child's house team.

All children will receive a £1 book token on World Book Day.

Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day takes place on Friday 15th March, we will be selling red noses. Please come dressed in something red for the day and please donate a £1 which will be sent to comic relief. **There will be red noses available to purchase starting on Monday next week. Please send in a £1.25 with your child to purchase.**

Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day) 5th March

The children will be celebrating by having a house team pancake race along with enjoying pancakes with their class and learning about the history of Shrove Tuesday.

Fox Class Swimming

Starts Monday 4th March for 5 weeks, please remember to send your child to school with their swimming kit.

Uniform Orders.

Please could you email Mrs Haysom on admin@shuteprimary.org.uk any uniform requirements for your child. School will retain supplies in school again. All uniform payments would then be paid via your ParentPay account.

PTFA

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 12th March 2019** at Gemma Benson's. Everyone really is welcome to come along.

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.

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:

March 2019	
4.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
5.3.19	Year 6 PE Academy (Selected pupils) Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)
6.3.19	Parent Forum 9:15am and 2:30pm
7.3.19	World Book Day
11.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
15.3.19	Red Nose Day
18.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
19.3.19	Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby Festival
20.3.19	Year 3 & 4 Swimming Gala
25.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
2.4.19	Reception Parachute Festival
26.3.19	Fox Class Trip to Seaton Wetlands
27.3.19	Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby Festival
April 2019	
5.4.19	Last Day of Term
23.4.19	Non Pupil Day
24.4.19	First day back
30.4.19	Reception Class Trill Farm Visit 1 of 4
1.5.19	Class Photographs
3.5.19	Yr1 & 2 Federation swimming Gala (selected children)
7.5.19	Reception Class Trill Farm Visit 2 of 4
10.5.19	Yr3 & 4 Kwik Cricket
13.5.19	Yr 6 Sats week
14.5.19	Reception Class Trill Farm Visit 3 of 4
21.5.19	Reception Class Trill Farm Visit 3 of 4
22.5.19	Yr5 & 5 Mixed Qwik Cricket
23.5.19	Break up for half term
24.5.19	Non Pupil Day
3.6.19	Non Pupil day
4.6.19	Back to school