



SHAWFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations to our children

Shine Award:

Beech	Hallie	Respect
Maple	Annie	Respect
Rowan	Isla	Respect
Ash	Daniel	Trust
Oak	Thomas	Aspiration
Willow	Charlie	Respect



Dear Parents/Carers,

Message from Headteacher

I would like to welcome all the children back to school and hope that you all had a wonderful summer. It has been lovely to talk to children across the school this week about their summer breaks, and the exciting events that they have taken part in. We have taken time in assembly this week to talk about the importance of our school values "Aspiration, Respect, Resilience and Trust", thinking about how we show these in and around school.

During our INSET day at the start of term, all staff worked to consider routines within our school environment. We have shared lots of these with the children already, sharing a message about 'the Shawfield Way!'. I know a number of children have already begun to share this with their families at home. It has been lovely to see the children following these routines with great pride.

Timings of the school day

To ensure children arrive safely and are ready to start learning by 8:50am the new timings for the school day are shown below

Start of the Day Gates open 8:40am, Gates close 8:50am Registers 8:50am Year R to meet at the Climbing Wall	End of the Day Year R, Year 1 and Year 2 – 3:10pm Year 3 and Year 4 – 3:15 Year 5 and Year 6 – 3:20
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Children will be marked late from 8:50am and will need to sign in via the school office.

Meet the Teacher – Years 1 to 6

As already advised, we have our 'Meet the Teacher' event next week. This event allows you to meet as a group, with your child's new teacher.

These sessions will take place from 8.50am to 9.30am on the dates below. The first part will be a presentation from the class teacher in the classroom and then you will be joined by your child.

Years 5 & 6 – Monday 11th September

Years 3 & 4 – Tuesday 12th September

Years 1 & 2 – Wednesday 13th September

Tea and coffee will be available.

Confirmed INSET Days 2023/24

We are pleased to announce the remaining INSET dates for this academic year:

- **Monday 25th September 2023**
- **Tuesday 26th September 2023**
- **Monday 22nd July 2024**
- **Tuesday 23rd July 2024**

'Thank You' Assembly

On the 18th July we held a special assembly to thank 'Chloe and Sophie's Special Ears' Fund' for the equipment they have lent us to enhance the learning environment in Year 4.



The children had raised £300 for the charity, which they presented to them in the form of a huge cheque!

During the assembly our school choir also sang and signed 'Fight Song' by Rachel Parry to the whole school. They did a fabulous job of learning the song and the British Sign Language to accompany it.

A huge 'Well Done' to all the children and staff involved and a big THANK YOU to CSSEF whose equipment has now moved up with the class to their new Year 5 classroom.

Government Fruit Scheme – Year 3

Just a reminder to Year 3's parents, the Government's free fruit scheme is no longer applicable now your child is in Year 3. Children can bring in a piece of fruit for fruit break.

Universal Infant Free School Meals – Year 3

Just a reminder to Year 3 parents, the Government's universal free infant school lunch is no longer applicable now your child is in Year 3.

Children have a choice of bringing in a packed lunch or have a paid school meal.

Cost of School Dinners from September

Please be advised that the cost of a school meal for children in **Years 3-6 rises to £2.50 per day** from 1 September 2023.

Payment for school meals can be made online or via the office (cash or cheque only). If you would like to pay online and have not yet registered with Scopay, please let the office know and details will be sent to you.

Level 1 Bikeability – Year 4

Further to our Parentmail dated 4th September, If you would like your child to take part on the Level 1 Bikeability course, please enrol them online (link below) with the Surrey Cycle Training team by **no later than 9am on 30th September**.

https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school_training/111020/

Level 2 Bikeability – Year 6

Further to our Parentmail dated 4th September, If you would like your child to take part on the Level 2 Bikeability course, please enrol them online (link below) with the Surrey Cycle Training team by **no later than 9am on 16th September**.

https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school_training/111021/

KS2 Choir (Young Voices, O2)

For all children in Years 3-6, the new KS2 Choir will start on Wednesday 13th September. If your child would like to attend please ensure that you complete and return a club enrolment form sent home via Parentmail, even if they attended last year.

Please be advised that there will be no choir w/c 25th September.

Clubs

As you are aware, the only Club that is currently running by the school is the KS2 choir above – once additional clubs have been arranged, we will let you know.

However, uSports are offering after school Football Club (on a Wednesday) and Multisports (on a Thursday). Please see attached flyer should you wish to sign up for either of these or follow the following link.

<https://eastberkshire-termtime.classforkids.io/term/529>

Lunch Menu

Please find attached our lunch menu for w/c 11th September (week 2).

Yours sincerely,

Mr Stephen Corcoran
Headteacher

Coming Home Today:

- Families South West magazine

SSA News

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Dear all, firstly a big thank you to everyone who helped and supported us this academic year. We still have some ice pop sales to go and we still need to review the final numbers but I believe we are on course to raise **over £3500 this year!** This is fantastic and I look forward to running even more events next year... did someone say DISCO? :)



Looking forward to next year we are hoping to hold our **AGM on either Wednesday 20th or 27th at 7pm** in the school hall **please save the date**. We look forward to welcoming new members and new families into our PTA, but we also say a fond farewell to those family's leaving for secondary school.

On behalf of the SSA one last big thank you for you all your support and I hope you all enjoy the summer break!

Community News

PlayRangers

Playrangers is a **free** outdoor community play service all about child-led play. The service has a focus on being outside in nature, being active, playful and creative.

PlayRangers has been delivering sessions to the children of Guildford borough for over 12 years and we want to encourage the next generation of children to make use of their local spaces!

Each of our 6 locations across the borough is held in a local park close to schools. Our website with more information of the project can be found here: <https://www.guildford.gov.uk/playrangers>.

Please see attached flyer about the PlayRanger scheme which is held after school, every other week commencing Tuesday 12th September at Coronation Gardens (opposite the Memorial Hall on Ash Hill Road).

Dates for your Diary

DATE	TIME	EVENT
2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR		
Monday 2 nd October	All Day	Year 6 visit to Houses of Parliament
Thursday 5 th October	AM	School Photos
Friday 6 th October	AM	School Immunisation Team – Nasal Flu Vaccine (Yrs R – 6)
16 th – 20 th October	-	Level 2 (Yr 6) Bikeability
Friday 20 th October	PM	Break up for Half Term (<i>normal time</i>)
HALF TERM		
Monday 30 th October	AM	Children return to school
		Level 1 (Yr 4) Bikeability
Tuesday 31 st October		Level 1 (Yr 4) Bikeability
Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th Nov	-	Book Fair
Friday 15 th December	PM	Last Day of Autumn Term & Early Finish: 1:30pm for Years R – 2 1:40pm – Years 3 - 6
Monday 1st January, 2024	All Day	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday 2nd January	AM	Children return to school
Monday 29 th January	All Day	Young Voices, O2 - KS2 Choir
Friday 9 th February	PM	Break up for Half Term (<i>normal time</i>)
Monday 19 th February	AM	Children return to school
Friday 29th March	All Day	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
HALF TERM		
Monday 15th April	AM	Children return to school
Monday 6th May	All Day	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Friday 24 th May	PM	Break up for Half Term (<i>normal time</i>)
Monday 3 rd June	AM	Children return to school