SHAWFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations to our children

Shine Award:

Chestnut	Liam	Resilience
Maple	Amelie	Resilience
Rowan	Peter	Resilience
Ash	Jack	Trust
Oak	Rudy	Aspiration
Willow	Fatima	Resilience

Congratulations to the following children on achieving their Silver Awards:
Oak   Daisy, Nabiah

Congratulations to the following children on achieving 50 Reading Nights:
Maple   Hibba
Ash   Nailah
Willow   Emily, Mason, Jessica, Ruby

Congratulations to the following children on achieving 75 Reading Nights:
Ash   Angelina

Congratulations to the following children on achieving 100 Reading Nights:
Chestnut   Natalie
Rowan   Saif
Ash   Finn

Congratulations to the following children on achieving 125 Reading Nights:
Chestnut   Emilia
Maple   Erin, Mia
Ash   Finn, Marlea, Jake
Willow   Skye, Betsy, Amelia

Congratulations to the following children on achieving 150 Reading Nights:
Chestnut   Maisie, Florence, Nate, Archie
Maple   Matilda
Ash   Alana, Rihanna, Daniel
Willow   Benji, Thom, Noah H

Congratulations to the following children on achieving 175 Reading Nights:
Oak   Penny

Congratulations to the following children for their achievements outside school:
Rowan   Abi – Brownie Badge

Dear Parents/Carers,

Message form Headteacher
Welcome back, we hope you all had a good half term break.

Postcards
Congratulations to Amelia-Rose (Yr 2), Saif (Yr 3), Daniel, Finn, Alana (Yr 4) and Ruby (Yr 6) on receiving your postcards (photographs below).
Also congratulations to Calum, Hibba, Isla (Yr 2), Abi (Yr 3), Malakai, Alana, Daniel (Yr 4), Olivia, Penny, Tessie (Yr 5) and Imogen, Skye, Mason (Yr 6) on also receiving your postcards.

Please send in any pictures of your child with their postcard and we will include them in the next newsletter. **Please can we remind parents to ensure that all pictures only show the front of the postcard, so we do not publicise your home address details.**

SATS Meeting for Year 6 Parents and Children
A meeting will take place on **Monday 4th March at 5:30pm** for Year 6 Parents/Carers and children regarding the Key Stage 2 statutory assessments (SATS) that will be undertaken by all Year 6 children between Monday 13th May to Friday 17th May.

World Book Day – 'Getting Caught Reading' Competition
For World Book Day 2024, we are also inviting you to take a picture of your child 'Getting Caught Reading'! This means a photo of them reading somewhere they wouldn't normally – upside down, in a tree, on their bike (please ensure it is still safe) – and make it as fun as possible! **These should be sent to your child's class email address by Monday 4th March**. A winner from each class will then be picked with winners announced in Friday 8th March in achievement assembly to win a £5 book voucher.

World Book Day – Thursday, 7th March
To celebrate World Book Day, the children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Thursday 7th March. They can also bring into school a copy of their favourite book to share with their class.

Each child will be given a £1 World Book Day token.

Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March
To support Red Nose Day on Friday 15th March the children can come to school dressed in Mufti – can be a red theme (suitable for school) in exchange for a £1 donation to Comic Relief.

Volunteers Needed to Help with Reading in School
If you or any aunts, uncles or grandparents have some spare time during the week and would like to come in and listen to children practise their reading (all year groups), we would love to hear from you.

Just one hour per week would be extremely helpful and volunteers get enormous pleasure from seeing the difference that a few hours of their time can make to a child's reading ability, confidence and enjoyment.

Please contact the school office if you would like further details and, if you require a DBS certificate, we can get everything sent out and set up to allow you volunteer within the school.

Earrings in PE
Just a reminder that for Health and Safety reasons if your child wears earrings they will need to be removed for PE lessons.

If your child is able to remove their own earrings then please provide them with a small container so that the earrings can be removed and stored safely prior to the PE lesson.

If your child is unable to take out their earrings by themselves, then they will need to be removed before coming to school on any day your child has a PE lesson.

If a child's earrings cannot be removed, then they will not be able to undertake PE as plasters to cover them are not considered a sufficiently safe alternative. Therefore, to avoid this occurring, we would recommend that if your child is having their ears pierced, then this is done on the first day of the Summer Holidays to allow sufficient time for them to heal and allow removal.

Parking in Staff Car Park
Please can we remind all parents and carers that unless there has been prior agreement, please do not park in the staff car park, even if your child is late. This is for safety reasons and to make sure the car park remains accessible at all times.

Packed Lunches
Please can all parents ensure that if their child brings in a packed lunch that this is brought in with them at the start of the day. We have noticed an increase in parents dropping off packed lunches at other times which is not only time consuming but disruptive to lessons.

Attendance – Holidays in Term Time
I am writing to remind you that absence from school can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and family holidays are not considered by Surrey County Council to be an exceptional circumstance.

If you wish to take your child out of school for exceptional reasons you will need to notify the school using our 'Leave of Absence in Exceptional Circumstances' form at least two weeks before the absence and you will be informed as to whether the absence can be authorised.
The national expectation is that children attend 100% of sessions the school is open.

Unauthorised absences of 5 days or more will result in a penalty notice and fine being issued by Surrey County Council. Penalty notices and fines will also be issued to parents whose child's attendance generally falls below 90%

Edwards & Ward – If your child has allergies or intolerances
Please can we kindly remind all parents/carers that if your child has a food allergy or intolerance and they have school dinners at least once a year (including Christmas Lunch) then you MUST complete the following link with Edwards & Ward.

https://edwardsandward.co.uk/special-diets/

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Stephen Corcoran
Headteacher**

Confirmed INSET Days 2023/24
We are pleased to announce the remaining INSET dates for this academic year:

Monday 22nd July 2024
Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Lunch Menu
Please find attached lunch menu for w/c 26th February (Week 2).

Confirmed INSET Days 2024/25
The INSET dates for the next academic year are as follows
Monday 2nd September 2024
Friday 25th October 2024
Monday 21st July 2025
Tuesday 22nd July 2025

There is one more INSET day to be arranged, once we have the date, parents/carers will be advised.

Dates for your Diary

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday 4th March	**5.30pm**	**Year 6 SATS information Evening**
Thursday 7th March	**All day**	**World Book Day**
Monday 11th March	**AM**	**Year 5 Residential to Stone Farm**
Friday 15th March	**All Day**	**Red Nose Day**
Thursday 28th March	**PM**	**Last Day of Term (*early finish*)**
Friday 29th March	**All Day**	**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
EASTER HOLIDAYS		
Monday 15th April	**AM**	**Children return to school**
Monday 6th May	**All Day**	**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
Friday 24th May	**PM**	**Break up for Half Term (*normal time*)**
HALF TERM		
Monday 3rd June	**AM**	**Children return to school**