



# SHAWFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Congratulations to our children

### Shine Award:

<b>Beech</b>	Romeo	Aspiration
<b>Maple</b>	Oliver	Resilience
<b>Rowan</b>	Lika	Aspiration
<b>Ash</b>	Presley	Aspiration
<b>Oak</b>	Kimberly	Aspiration
<b>Willow</b>	Nancy	Aspiration



## Congratulations to the following children for their achievements outside school:

<b>Maple</b>	Aurelia	Dance
	Lika	Gymnastics
	Ruben	Football
<b>Willow</b>	Olivia	Scouts
	Tessie	Football
	Rudy	Football

## Dear Parents/Carers,

### Message from Headteacher

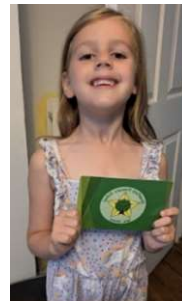
It was fantastic this week to visit the Houses of Parliament with Year 6 this week. We toured the Houses of Commons and the House of Lords. We were also very pleased to meet our constituency MP, Jeremy Hunt, who gave us his time to talk to the children and answer their questions.

Children have increased their knowledge of our democratic processes and the ways in which parliamentary process works.



## Postcards

Congratulations to Philippa, Penny & Ellie (Year 2), Erin, Ella, Matilda & Otega (Year 3) on receiving your postcards.



Please send in any pictures of your child with their postcard and we will include them in the next newsletter.

## Year 3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm

### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October

A letter has sent home to all Year 3 parents advising them of a trip to Butser Ancient Farm on 16<sup>th</sup> October (hard copies available from the School Office). Can you please return parental consent forms and payment **by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**.



### Year 6 Height & Weight Checks - Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October

A letter was sent home to all Year 6 parents by Parentmail on 5<sup>th</sup> September advising them of the Height & Weight checks being undertaken by the School Nursing Team on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October. If you haven't already done so, could you **please complete the electronic consent at your earliest convenience**.

### Is your Child in Year 6?

If so, you will need to apply online for a secondary school place **by 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2024**.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions) or you can call on 0300 200 1004.

### Harvest Festival – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024

We will be holding our Harvest Festival on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, and continue to support the work of the Farnham Foodbank. Receiving donations from schools goes a long way to ensure that they can continue to feed those in the local community who are in crisis, especially in these unprecedented times.



We would very much appreciate any non-perishable food items or toiletries. In particular, they have asked if Shawfield could collect the following items:

- Tinned Spaghetti
- Long Life Fruit Juice
- Packets of crackers

Please send your child in with any donations **on the morning of the 15<sup>th</sup> October**.

With the cost of living increasing, should anybody be in need of additional support, please contact Mrs Dixon, who can signpost families confidentially for additional help.

### Open Mornings

We are pleased to announce that we have now scheduled Open Morning dates for parents whose children are due to start primary school in September 2025 to visit the school. These visits give prospective parents the opportunity to have a tour of all the classrooms and an informal talk from leaders about Shawfield.

Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	10am
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	10am
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	10am
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	10am
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	10am
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	10am
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	10am

Admissions open on 4<sup>th</sup> November and the **closing date is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**.

If you or any family or friends have children due to start school next year and would be interested in viewing the school please contact the School Office on 01252 320379 or by email at: [info@shawfield.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@shawfield.surrey.sch.uk) to book one of the dates above.

### Level 1 (Year 4) and Level 2 (Year 6) Bikeability

A Parentmail was sent out to all parents/carers of children in both Years 4 & 6 inviting them to sign their children up for the Bikeability course run by the Surrey Cycling team.



Please note that the deadlines to sign your child up for these courses are:

### Level 1 (Year 4) –15<sup>th</sup> October at 09:10

[https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school\\_training/111374/](https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school_training/111374/)



### Level 2 (Year 6) – 19<sup>th</sup> October at 09:10



[https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school\\_training/111375/](https://surreycycletraining.online/public/school_training/111375/)

### Years R-6 : Nasal Flu Vaccinations - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

A letter was sent home to all parents by Parentmail on 4<sup>th</sup> September advising them of the Nasal Flu Vaccinations being undertaken by the School Nursing Team on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. If you haven't already done so, could you **please complete the e-consent at your earliest convenience to ensure that your child receives their annual vaccine**.

### Lost Property

We have found a number of new jumpers and cardigans handed in at the School Office. Please ensure these are clearly labelled so that it is easier for staff and children to return them to the correct owner.

Should your child be missing belongings, please remember to check the yellow Lost Property bin in the school foyer.

### Attendance – Gates close at 8:50am

Just to remind parents that children need to arrive at school on time and ready for learning by 8 50am when the playground gates will be closed. Should your child arrive late, please come with them to the School Office to sign them in via the Sign-in screen in the foyer. Staff will ask you reasons for lateness and signpost families for support, where appropriate.



### My child has a short-term illness.

**Do they have to go to school, and will I be penalised if they don't?**



If your child is ill, read the NHS advice to help you decide whether they can go to school. If they are too ill to attend, you are not breaking the law and will not be penalised. You should let us know as soon as possible on the first day of absence and we will record such absences as authorised. If the absence due to illness is ongoing or frequent you should speak to a member of school staff to

see what support can be put in place. The school may request medical evidence if there is concern about the length or frequency of a child's absence.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

### **Medical and Dental Appointments - Leave of Absence Form**

In line with the new Government Attendance Policy, a reminder that starting from this term, you will need to complete a Leave of Absence Form for all Medical and Dental Appointments and provide evidence to support the request. We would ask that, where possible, appointments be made outside of school time.

### **Clubs**

#### **General**

A parentmail was sent out to all parents of children in Years 1-6 giving details of the lunchtime and after school clubs run by teaching staff and how to book online.

Unfortunately, the Cookery Club, KS1 Arts & Crafts and KS2 Arts & Craft are now fully booked, but please take a look at what other clubs are available for your child(ren).

#### **Lunch Menu**

Please find attached the lunch menu for **w/c 30<sup>th</sup> September (Week 2)**.

Please note that we have a special Menu on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October to celebrate World Smile Day.

#### **Coming Home:**

- Raring2go! (Autumn 2024) magazine

Yours sincerely,



**Mr Stephen Corcoran**  
Head Teacher

### **Community News**

#### **Surrey County Council Countryside Team - Basingstoke Canal Centre Survey**

The Countryside Team (who manage all of the Surrey Country Council 6,500 acres of Surrey's countryside and also have access agreements with private landowners to provide public access to a total of over 10,000 acres) are currently running a community survey for the [Basingstoke Canal Centre](#).

The survey is looking to better understand how people use the centre and what they value, and are asking the local community and users to take part in a short survey that could influence the way the centre operates in the future.

Survey link : <https://canalcentre.commonplace.is/>

Please see attached poster for further information  
**The survey will close on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024.**

#### **Edge Swim School**

Please find attached a flyer from Edge Swim School giving details of their October Half Term Swim Courses.

## Dates for your Diary

Please see our school website calendar for up-to-date information about school events.

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	10am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents (2025 intake)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	10am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents (2025 intake)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	AM	Year 6 Height & Weight Checks (School Nursing Team)
	10am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents (2025 intake)
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	AM	Harvest Assembly
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	All Day	Year 3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm ( <i>tbc</i> )
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	AM	Individual School Photographs
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	AM	Nasal Flu Vaccinations (School Nursing Team)
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	10am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents (2025 intake)
	PM	Break up for half term (normal finish time)
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	All Day	INSET DAY – No children in school
<b>HALF TERM</b>		
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	All Day	INSET DAY – No children in school
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	AM	Children return to school
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	AM	Year 4 Depart on their Hooke Court Residential
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	PM	Year 4 Return from their Hooke Court Residential
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	10am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents (2025 intake)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	AM	Level 1 (Year 4) Bikeability
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	AM	Level 1 (Year 4) Bikeability
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November		Level 2 (Year 6) Bikeability
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November		Level 2 (Year 6) Bikeability
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November		Level 2 (Year 6) Bikeability
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November		Level 2 (Year 6) Bikeability
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November		Level 2 (Year 6) Bikeability
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	10am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents (2025 intake)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Evening	KS2 Christmas Concert
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	2pm	KS1 Nativity
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	10am	KS1 Nativity
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	All Day	Christmas Fun Day (Office Closed)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	AM	Christmas Church Service
		Christmas Lunch
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	PM	Break up for half term (early finish)
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS</b>		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	AM	Children return to school
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	All Day	KS2 Choir - Young Voices at the O2 (Years 4 – 6)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	PM	Break up for half term (normal finish time)
<b>HALF TERM</b>		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	AM	Children return to school
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	PM	Break up for term (early finish)
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>		
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	AM	Children return to school
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	All Day	Public Holiday – No children in school
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	PM	Break up for half term (normal finish time)
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	AM	Children return to school
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	AM	Group Class Photographs

<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>INSET DAY – No children in school</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>INSET DAY – No children in school</b>
<b>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</b>		