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AUTUMN Term 1A

News

14.9.18

News is through e mail, facebook and website - please make sure we have your e mail address.

ATTENDANCE 14.9.18

WHOLE SCHOOL

Wow!

97.29% thank you everyone!

Shotton Hall Primary School

Working together to

SHINE

Successful, Happy, Inspired and Nurtured towards Excellence

Headteacher: Mrs A.M. Boyd

Acting Deputy Headteacher: Mrs J Bowmaker

Assistant Headteachers: Mrs S. Sands, Ms E. Metcalfe

Behaviour, Attendance and Safeguarding Officer : Mr K. Morgan

SENCO/pastoral : Mrs J. Bowmaker

Site Manager: Mrs W. Fickling

School Business Manager: Mrs J. Johnson

Dates For Your Diary

This diary is given in good faith to enable you to set your own diaries. There may be some changes beyond our control and we will communicate this through text or via the newsletter. There may also be additional events which we will inform you of as they occur. Please make sure we have your up to date phone number and e mail.

| Date | Day | Class/year | Event | Information |
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| 18.9.18 | TUESDAY | YEAR 5 | ACADEMY VISIT TO HISTORY DEPARTMENT | IDENTIFIED PUPILS |
| 21.9.18 NEW! | FRIDAY | ALL | PHOTOGRAPHS | INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING |
| 24.9.18 | MONDAY | CLASSES 9 AND 10 | POLICE SAFETY VISIT | IN SCHOOL EVENT |
| 24.9.18 | MONDAY | CLASSES 1-12 | PARENT CONSUTATION | MEET AND GREET - GETTING TO KNOW YOU! |
| 25.9.18 | TUESDAY | CLASSES 1-12 | PARENT CONSULTATION | MEET AND GREET- GETTING TO KNOW YOU! |
| 31.10.18 | WEDNESDAY | CLASSES 1,2,3,4 | GOOD AMBASSADOR DISCO | Dress as you please £1.50 snack pack of hot dog, sweets and drink |
| 1.11.18 | THURSDAY | CLASSES 5,6,7,8 | GOOD AMBASSADOR DISCO | |
| 2.11.18 | FRIDAY | CLASSES 9,10,11,12 | GOOD AMBASSADOR DISCO | |
| 5.11.18 | MONDAY | PRE SCHOOL | GOOD AMBASSADOR DISCO | ALL PUPILS MORNING ONLY |
| 7.11.18 | WEDNESDAY | YEAR 5 | ACADEMY VISIT TO P4L DEPARTMENT | IDENTIFIED PUPILS |
| 9.11.18 | FRIDAY | ALL | SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CPD | REOPENS MONDAY 12 TH NOVEMBER |
| 6.12.18 | Thursday | ALL PUPILS | PINOCCHIO PANTOMIME | IN SCHOOL EVENT |
| 7.12.18 | FRIDAY | PRE SCHOOL | XMAS SINGALONG | 10:15 AND 2:15 IN MAIN HALL |
| 11.12.18 | TUESDAY | CLASSES 3,4,5,6 | NATIVITY CONCERT | 9.30 AM AND 2.15 PM |
| 13.12.18 | THURSDAY | CLASSES 1 AND 2 | NATIVITY CONCERT | 9.15 AM AND 2.15 PM |
| 14.12.18 | FRIDAY | ALL | SHORT REPORTS | OUT TO PARENTS |
| 17.12.18 | MONDAY | CLASS 1 AND 2 | XMAS PARTY | ALL FOOD DONATIONS WELCOME COME TO SCHOOL IN UNIFORM AND DRESS AS YOU PLEASE FOR THE AFTERNOON NO JEWELLERY,HEELS, FALSE NAILS OR MAKE UP PLEASE |
| 18.12.18 | TUESDAY | CLASS 3,4,5,6 | XMAS PARTY | |
| 19.12.18 | WEDNESDAY | CLASS 7,8,9,10 | XMAS PARTY | |
| 20.12.18 | THURSDAY | CLASS 11 AND 12 | XMAS PARTY | |

Breakfast club doors will open only 5 minutes before any events held in the main hall to allow visitors into school. This is for safeguarding reasons so please do not queue up too early. After events pupils will not be released early. They will be taken back to class and dismissed from their usual entrances at 3.15 pm. You are welcome to wait in the hall if weather is poor. This ensures all pupils are accounted for in line with safeguarding procedures.

Dear Parents and Carers,

NEW ITEM! PHOTOGRAPH DAY IS ON FRIDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER FOR INDIVIDUALS AND SIBLING GROUPS. PLEASE SEND CHILDREN IN LOOKING GORGEOUS AS ALWAYS FOR THEIR PICTURES!

PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR CPD ON FRIDAY 9TH NOVEMBER: This is for staff to attend partnership training on the pupil engagement, memorable learning and the impact of self esteem on pupils learning.

RIGHTS RESPECTING AWARD- GOLD! We are delighted to be informed that we have achieved GOLD STATUS for our RIGHTS RESPECTING work. We were visited by assessors in the summer term and were rigorously judged on many aspects of our school. Our children spoke to the assessors and told them all about the school- we were very proud of them all. This initiative has been led by Mrs Habicht and has been a strong team effort from the children. Parents, teaching team and governors. Gold status is the highest status we can achieve and so we are very proud to be a model school in the area for RRSA. You will see our new banner on the fencing soon and our RRSA logo on our letter head in future. Well done everyone!

‘KIDSAFE’ INITIATIVE: As always we hold pupil safety as a high priority in our school and with this in mind, two of our staff are now trained in ‘Kidsafe’ a project to support vulnerable pupils and keep them safe. We will have the kidsafe logo on our letter head in future.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT OF READING: The focus for our school development plan this year is development of reading and fostering a love of reading in particular. There will be events throughout the year to support pupil improvements in reading. Please encourage your child to read as much as possible either from signs, newspapers, books, magazines and also electronically. Reading is a key skill and gives pupils access to learning independently. Please support us in our work by hearing your child read and talk about books three times a week and mark this in their record book. If you are concerned about your child’s reader please contact the teacher in the first instance.

DINNER MONEY: Dinner money is now £2.05 per day and £10.25 per week. Please send money in to school in a sealed envelope and instruct your child to put it in the class box for delivery to the office. Teachers ask every day if pupils have money in bags as they are not allowed to have money in school and must hand it in to be looked after.

TAYLOR SHAW: Taylor Shaw are our school meals provider and offer excellent value for money with their hot meals at lunchtime. If you would like your child to have a hot meal then please let us know. Pupils in key stage 1 receive free hot meals as a government initiative. Pupils in KS 2 will pay £2.05 per day. Still excellent value for money! For more information contact our reception desk.

DURHAM SAVERS: Just a friendly reminder we run a saving scheme if you would like to take part. For more information please contact Mrs Johnson.

PARENT CONSULTATION: This is a ‘meet and greet’ session and books will not be shown at this early point in the year. It is an opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and have a chat about what will be expected over the year and raise any concerns you may have. If you require a longer meeting please contact the office for a long appointment where a senior leader will be present on another date.

SCHOOL FUND: We have a facility on parent pay for parents to contribute to school fund. Thank you to all parents who currently donate. Every bit of money helps us to buy the little extras we need as a school to make children’s time more enjoyable. This money is not used for any staff provisions. You

may also send your child to school with £1 weekly if you so wish or donate termly or monthly. Thank you for your contributions in advance.

FRIENDSHIP DAY: Well done to all pupils who took part in our special friendship day on Thursday 13.9.18. The sun shone for us and everyone had a very enjoyable special day and made the most of time to play and get to know other children as well as their own friends- it was lovely to see older children nurturing the younger ones. We hope our children will make lots of new friends this year and will learn how to make others feel welcome into their play group.

In future assemblies Mrs Boyd will talk about the new Garden project and ask children to think about Ava's garden and what they would like to see in there. Please let us know if you can help in any way through helping to garden or through donations of goods or money. We hope to have a celebration for the opening of this garden by the end of this year.

SCHOOL MISSION: We work hard to ensure we meet our aim for all children to be **SUCCESSFUL, HAPPY, INSPIRED AND NURTURED TOWARDS EXCELLENCE.** Our full mission statement is on our website.

PERSONAL HYGIENE: In assembly today Mrs Boyd talked about washing hands and trying to keep germs to a minimum. The children have been taught to fully wash hands to the tune of 'happy birthday' ! Please continue to teach them this at home. They have also been taught to bring tissues in from home and put them in the bin once used. We aim to have fewer pupils off ill this winter with more vigilant personal hygiene practices.

SCHOOL CHANGES: Thank you for bearing with us with our class changes and areas for collecting and dropping children. I think everyone is settled now and knows where to go. Any questions please come and see a senior teacher.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: Just a reminder that ASC must be booked one full week in advance and we cannot take pupils into the club on the day. This has been agreed by the governing body. If you require emergency after school care please make arrangements with other child care providers in the town. Club closes promptly at 5 pm. Pupils remaining in school after this time will be in the care of social services.

FIRST CONTACT: If you have a concern about a child or young person who lives in County Durham, First Contact is the service to call. First Contact brings together staff from Children and Young People's Services with partners such as Durham Constabulary and Health. First Contact has made it easy for you to get in touch with them. You can contact them using any of the following methods: Telephone: 03000 26 79 79 , E-mail: scd@durham.gov.uk, Website: www.durham.gov.uk/.../firstcontact

ACHIEVE AND BELIEVE AWARDS: Awards are given each Thursday for classes 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 and Friday for classes 7,8,9,10,11 and 12 in assembly by a senior leader. If you would like to visit an assembly please let the office know.

Week Ending 14.9.18

GOLD STARS: Elisha B C8- certificates for gold star are now 10 as more are being awarded each week.

RESOURCEFUL AWARD: Anthony H C11, Charlotte F C1, Alexa C C4, Imogen R C4, Bobby M C2, Eden K C5, Jaymes C C6, Lynsey S C9, Harley A C10, Charlotte S C8, Elizabeth H C7, Jaiden M C12,

RECIPROCAL AWARD: Anna L C11, Ivy C C1, Zac W C4, Brooke W C4, Ava Grace E C2, Martha P C5, Kaiden B C6, Nathanael B C9, Evie H C10, Lexi S C8, Oscar W C7, Harvey C C12,

REFLECTIVE AWARD: Amelia H C11, John M C1, Louis S C4, Ryan C C4, Leanne S C2, Archie D C5, Louis C C6, Elliot F C9, Brooklyn R C10, Charlie G C8, Poppy S C7, Charlotte H C12,

RESILIENT AWARD: William L C11, Alice CW C1, Alfie M C3, Talia S C4, Sienna A C2, Dexter J C5, Ellie M C6, Zane I C9, Ethan L C10, Rylan L C8, Logan P C7, Brooke H C12,

RESPECTFUL AWARD: Sam H C11, Jaqobi W C1, Louis S C3, John S C4, Millie Mae W C2, Hollie RB C5, Tyler A C6, Stevie Louise S C9, Casey C C10, Cara G C8, Zoe W C7, Joshua M C12,

RIGHTS RESPECTING AMBASSADOR: Trinity KL C11, Jada S C9, Ewan T C12, Annabelle C C10, Arryn M C8

PEN LICENCE: Matthew B C8

BIRTHDAYS: Ethan L C10, Brooklyn R C10, Luke V C10, Matthew B C8, Lily P C8, Harvey C C12, Logan P C7, Lexi L C7, HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ENJOY YOUR SPECIAL DAY!

TEAM POINTS: 14.9.18. WINNERS ARE **HAWKING xx**, **DARWIN xx**, **CURIE xx**, **GALILEO xx** WELL DONE xx!!

ATTENDANCE

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| CLASS 1 96.02% | CLASS 2 93.33% LOWER SCHOOL WINNERS !! | CLASS 3 100% | CLASS 4 97.45% | CLASS 5 98.10% | CLASS 6 96.19% | CLASS 7 98.52% | CLASS 8 99.52% | CLASS 9 100% UPPER SCHOOL WINNERS !! | CLASS 10 92.86% | CLASS 11 99.43% | CLASS 12 96% |
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ATTENDANCE Trophy will begin next week.

We are delighted with this weeks attendance of most classes and we now need to keep this up over the winter period. Can I please remind parents that attendance is part of our schools inspection and is a priority in school. Children's **expected attendance is 96%**. Please ensure you make all appointments out of school time and that you contact the school with the reason for absence on the first day. We also need the expected day of return. Where the absence is medical please inform us each day of the continued absence.

TEACHERS CLASS PLACEMENT FOR THIS YEAR: All classes are mixed age with the exception of one reception class and year 6. The statutory National Curriculum is taught to all pupils and the appropriate year group curriculum is taught to all pupils. Some classes will return to year group from mixed groups for core subject learning. More details of this can be given at parent consultation on 24th and 25th September.

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| CLASS 1 | Mrs Sands | R | CLASS 7 | Mrs Egglestone | Y3/4 |
| CLASS 2 | Mrs McCoy | R/Y1 | CLASS 8 | Mrs Carr | Y3/4 |
| CLASS 3 | Miss Hardyman | Y1/2 | CLASS 9 | Miss Ingram | Y4/5 |
| CLASS 4 | Mrs McKitten | Y1/2 | CLASS 10 | Mrs Walker (new) | Y4/5 |
| CLASS 5 | Mrs Habicht | Y2/3 | CLASS 11 | Miss Hardy to Y7 | Y6 transition to Y7 |
| CLASS 6 | Mr Harrison | Y2/3 | CLASS 12 | Mrs Hext to Y7 | Y6 transition to Y7 |

Mr Scorer will work with upper school pupils each morning and deliver forest schools and sports each afternoon. He is non class based. Mr James is our sports coach and he will work with pupils each afternoon and lunchtime.

All teaching assistants will work flexibly delivering interventions, small group work, 1 to 1 support and supporting pupils needs across the school. They will also cover classes short term. TAs may not always be based in the same class for a full year. Our TAs are:

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| Mrs A Hanley | Mrs S Caden | Mrs D Hoyland | Mrs G Sinclair |
| Mrs W Ruddell | Mrs G Lockey | Mrs D Pearson | Miss T Holcroft |
| Ms A Suter | Mrs J Smith | Mrs D Brotherston | Mrs L Hoyland |
| Mrs J Henry | | | |