Governors voluntarily working on your behalf to ensure all aspects of the schools work are effective and

compliant.

Chair: Mrs C Barclay Vice Chair: Mr T Watson Local Authority: Mrs P Spoors

Co opted: Mrs J Winn, Mr M Grinstead,

Mrs W Fickling

Parent: Mrs K Bailey, Mrs A Spencer, Mrs C

Williams

Staff: Mrs J Henry, Mrs A M Boyd You may contact any governor via the school. Complaints in the first instance are to be communicated to the head

teacher Mrs Boyd.

AUTUMN Term 1B

News

7.12.18

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

Hard copies available in reception

ATTENDANCE 7.12.18 WHOLE SCHOOL 96.75% Well Done Everyone!

Shotton Hall Primary School Working together to

SHINE

Successful, Happy, Inspired and Nurtured towards Excellence

Headteacher: Mrs A.M. Boyd Acting Deputy Head teacher: Mrs J

Bowmaker

Assistant Head teachers: 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

NEW: LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN: If you are a parent or carer of a pupil who was previously looked after or adopted from care please arrange a <u>strictly confidential</u> meeting with me or Mrs Bowmaker to discuss your child's welfare. We can offer additional help and support to families.

NEW: Parent Pay: instead of sending cash with your child into school did you know you can use our 'parent pay' online payment system. It's very easy and makes sure the money gets to us safely and quickly. To use this system please contact anyone on the reception desk and they will set you up with a log in and password. You can pay for before school club, after school club, visits, dinner money - anything to do with school in fact! It's so easy!

SOCIAL MEDIA: We would like to encourage you to discuss any concerns with the school by messaging us through the website or by making an appointment to speak to a senior leader. We would be very grateful if you did not raise complaints about the school on social media but come to us so we can understand your concerns and help solve the problem. Social media does not enable us to reply and there are always alternative views to your own.

SAFEGUARDING: FIRST CONTACT: If you have a concern about a child or young person First Contact has made it easy for you to get in touch with them. You can contact them using the following: Telephone: 03000 26 79 79, E-mail: scd@durham.gov.uk. Website: www.durham.gov.uk/.../ firstcontact

AVA'S DAY: We had a lovely day on Monday last week for Ava's day. We had a gathering to remember Ava and all her wonderful qualities including kindness and giving her best. Then the children enjoyed visiting each others classes- it was lovely to see families playing together and older children looking after younger ones. Some children felt it was the best ever day in school! All the biscuits sold and Jennifer even had to make more! We will let you know how much we made for the Ava's garden project soon. Well done everyone and thank you to parents for supporting this worthwhile cause. SCHOOL SUPPORT: As you may have seen in the media, there is now a serious funding crisis for schools and we ask for your support. Of particular concern to us is the lack of funding to support our pupils with specific needs and future funding of nursery schools. 842 out of 1,004 schools in the North East will face cuts (84%). Across the 12 local authorities in the region, this is a collective loss of funding of £59,961,250 by 2020. Cut backs are having a negative impact on our children's learning and it is becoming increasingly more difficult to maintain schools high standards with quality teaching and excellent resources and facilities. A letter will be sent home asking for your help by signing a petition. Please get as many signatures as you can to help us raise awareness of this issue https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/232220.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: We believe that attending any of our after school clubs is a privilege however, we will ask pupils to not attend if their behaviour and attitude becomes an issue. We will make a call to parents to withdraw their child with immediate effect.

FOOTWEAR IN SCHOOL: If you send your child in wearing boots please supply their usual school shoes or full foot slippers without novelty for them to wear indoors. Pupils may not wear boots all day as this is uncomfortable in the classroom.

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			
10.12.18	MONDAY	YEAR 6	ARCHERY DAY	IN SCHOOL EVENT			
11.12.18	TUESDAY	CLASSES 3,4,5,6	NATIVITY CONCERT	9.30 AM AND 2 .15 PM			
11.12.18	TUESDAY	CLASSES 7 AND 8	ORIENTAL MUSEUM	SHANG DYNASTY- SEE CLASS LETTER			
12.12.18	WEDNESDAY	ALL	CHRISTMAS LUNCH	WEAR A CHRISTMAS JUMPER OR OUTFIT			
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			
14.12.18	FRIDAY	ALL	HOLLY AND IVY ROADSHOW	IN SCHOOL EVENT			
17.12.18	MONDAY	PRE SCHOOL	XMAS PARTY	ALL PUPILS IN FOR THE AFTERNOON SESSION - NO MORNING SESSION			
17.12.18	MONDAY	RECEPTION PUPILS	XMAS PARTY	ALL FOOD DONATIONS WELCOME COME TO SCHOOL IN UNIFORM AND			
18.12.18	TUESDAY	CLASS 3,4,5,6 + C2 Y1	XMAS PARTY	DRESS AS YOU PLEASE FOR THE AFTERNOON NO JEWELLERY, HEELS, FALSE NAILS			
19.12.18	WEDNESDAY	CLASS 7,8,9,10	XMAS PARTY	OR MAKE UP PLEASE			
20.12.18	.18 THURSDAY CLASS 11 AND 12		XMAS PARTY				
20.12.18	THURSDAY Last day of school Xmas break						
7.1.19	MONDAY School open for Spring term						

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.

Holiday dates for the school year

Thursday 20th December	Last day of school before Christmas break (21 December-7 January)		
Friday 21st December	CPD day 3 School closed for training		
Monday 7th January 2019	School reopens for term 2a (7 th January - 15 th February)		
Friday 15th February 2019	Last day of school before half term (18th-22nd February)		
Monday 25 th February 2019	School reopens for term 2b (25 th Feb - 5 th April)		

Friday 5 th April 2019	Last day of school before Easter break (8th-22 nd April)			
Tuesday 23 rd April 2019	School reopens for term 3a (23 rd April- 24 th May)			
Monday 6 th May 2019	Bank holiday			
Friday 24 th May 2019	Last day of school before half term (27th -31st May)			
Monday 3 rd June 2019	School reopens for term 3b (3 rd June - 19 th July)			
Friday 19th July 2019	Last day of school before summer break			
Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	School reopens for new school year			

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 07.12.18

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

RESOURCEFUL AWARD: Oscar S C1, Cara C C2, John W C3, Ryan C C4, Dexter J C5, Elliot J C7, Jack P C12.

RECIPROCAL AWARD: Lilah P C1, Callum K C2, Zak B C3, Charlie C C4, Hollie B C5, Honour S C7, Poppy S C8, Isla L C12.

REFLECTIVE AWARD: IVY C C1, Jace L C2, Jack L C3, Imogen R C4, Lucy H C5, Lilly C C7, Lily L C7, Lucas L C8, William L C12.

RESILIENT AWARD: Cooper H C1, Ivy U C2, Olivia K C3, Poppy F C4, Isla-Rose M C5, Tiannah C C7, Aiden L C7, Anna L C12.

RESPECTFUL AWARD: Ava P C1, Lewis A C2, Rose C C3, Macie E C4, Riley P C5, Lexi L C7, Joel J C8, Lilly R C12.

RIGHTS RESPECTING AMBASSADOR: Bobby M C2, Zac W C5, Joseph P C12.

READING AWARD: Harrison Y C4, Charlotte S C6, Thomas C C12.

PEN LICENCE: Harrison C C7, Lilly C C8, Alex K C8, Joel J C8, Rowan B C8, Eve B C8, Leo B C8. MATHS MASTERY AWARD: Jacob H C8.

BIRTHDAYS: Saba B C2 age 5, Athena M C1 age 5, Alexa C C4 age 6, Charlie C C4 age 6, Rowan B C8 age 8, Zara W C7 age 9, Charlie B C12 age 11.



ATTENDANCE Trophy: 98.61% DARWIN, 97.73% CURIE, 96.52% GALILEO, 94.94% HAWKIN.

CLASS 1	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS 5	CLASS	CLASS 7	CLASS	CLASS 9	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS 12
96.67%	99.51%	3 97.45%	92.26%	100% WINNERS	6 95.24%	95.71%	8 93.81%	98.03%	10 97.54%	11 96.00%	98.81% WINNERS
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Can I please remind parents that attendance is part of our school inspection and is a priority. Children's expected attendance is 96%.















