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You may contact any governor via the school. **Complaints in the first instance are to be communicated to the head teacher Mrs Boyd.**

Summer Term 3a Week 4

News

Week beginning 03.05.21

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

ATTENDANCE
WHOLE SCHOOL

96.69%

Well done everyone!

Shotton Hall Primary School

Working together to

SHINE

**Successful, Happy, Inspired
and Nurtured towards
Excellence**

Headteacher: Mrs A.M. Boyd

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend despite the changeable weather. On the odd occasion when the weather is fine we are enjoying some outdoor learning but please remember to send your child with suitable footwear and a warm coat. And when the weather is sunny please remember to lotion your child before they come to school.

We may begin to have short local visits out of school this term as the guidance allows and we will inform you of this before it happens. As always please express your concerns and comments through the website contact page and not through class dojo – this is for teachers only to discuss your child.

Thank you for your continued support and words of encouragement during a very challenging time. We really appreciate it!

ROAD SAFETY REMINDER: We have been informed this morning of an incident involving a parent in their car and a member of the public. Please be careful when parking, reversing and driving in the streets surrounding our school, we need to be mindful of children and others with regards to road safety. Thank you.

POLITE REMINDER: We would like to remind you that as a DCC School there is a **NO SMOKING** policy in place for in or around the school site, this includes E-cigarettes. Thank you for your cooperation.

REPORTS: Due to COVID restrictions and the lockdown we were unable to send reports out before Easter but reports will be coming home on the 9th July 2021.

We will be arranging phone parent consultations by appointment only week beginning 12th July 2021. More info. to follow.

WEARABLE TECHNOLOGY: Please could we remind parents that pupils are NOT allowed to wear Apple watches or Smart watches in school as they can be connected to the Internet and are also expensive items. This applies to jewellery in general, a small stud earring can be worn in the ear but necklaces, bracelets and other hooped or dangle earrings are prohibited in school. **Earrings should be removed for P.E or plasters provided from home to cover them. Thank you.**

NEW MENU'S: Thank you to those parents who have returned their child's menu, unfortunately we still have some that have not been returned please can you ensure these are completed and returned ASAP.

Young Children's use of Social Media (Follow up letter)

Dear Parent / Carer

We have become aware that some of our younger children appear to have access to social media. Durham County Council's online safety lead has been made aware of numerous issues caused by adults and young people behaving badly on various apps resulting in bullying, exposure to inappropriate material and children being coerced into producing child abuse images.

As a school we take this very seriously and children are taught about online safety throughout their time in school, so they develop the skills needed to keep themselves safe online.

Younger children do not have the developmental awareness to be able to protect themselves online and need adult support to navigate safely, hence our concern.

There is some excellent advice on internetmatters.org which explains risks and setting up parental controls.

The NSPCC run a website called net-aware.org which explains the functionality and safety settings on many apps.

Because of our duty to all of the children in our school, we will take action (which may involve logging a call with first contact which are part of social services) if we subsequently become aware that children are still unsupervised when accessing inappropriate content.

Parents and carers are welcome to contact the school for support and advice.

Key websites are listed below.

Website	Comment
www.internetmatters.org	Really useful website covering parental controls, apps and all aspects of supporting parents with technology.
www.net-aware.org.uk	Great website for parents, written by the NSPCC that explains about individual apps and the safety measures they have in place for children
https://www.childline.org.uk	The website for children to get support themselves
https://www.ltai.info	Support with radicalisation
https://www.getsafeonline.org	More for parents – this site explains how to protect yourself against online fraud – which is an increasing problem.

Testing reminder for parents and carers.

Have coronavirus symptoms and need a test?

If anyone in your household has symptoms you need to book a PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) test as soon as possible. For more information and to book a PCR test visit www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test or call NHS test and trace free on 119

As coronavirus symptoms in children can vary it is advised that children who are unwell should not attend school until they are well again.

Alternatively Durham County Council offers support to people seeking further advice about coronavirus through the County Durham Together Community Hub, details of which can be found at www.durham.gov.uk/covid19help or by phoning 03000 260 260.

NSPCC NUMBER DAY – FRIDAY 7th May: We have had great fun today supporting the NSPCC Number Day. Thank you for your donations via Parentpay. All money raised will be donated to the NSPCC. Children have taken part in maths challenges and games in class, and we have also had a Team vs Team TT Rockstars competition! Everyone did really well and the overall winner was Archie D in Class 9 with a very impressive score of 22,638 points! Well done to everyone who took part.

SPARE CLOTHES: We would appreciate any donations of clean or new underwear, socks and tights for when children have accidents. If your child has to change their clothes in school and is provided with spares we would kindly ask for these to be washed and returned to school ASAP. A **BIG** thank you to parents who have already donated items of clothing we really do appreciate it.

WATER BOTTLES: Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle every day, especially as the weather is hopefully going to get warmer. We have water dispensers in school which children have access to.

ATTENDANCE: Please inform the office of non-attendance so it can be added to our online system. Do not send a message through class dojo as it will not get to the Admin team.

Gates open at 8.35 am and close at 9 am **after which time the day gate on Waveney Road is used.** This enables the site to be safely used for learning in the first lesson.

Pre school entry 8.50 am, gate opens for collection 11.45 am.

Gates open at 3 pm and close at 3.25pm.

SAFEGUARDING: FIRST CONTACT: If you have a concern about a child or young person at any time 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

DOJO: Please be aware we never remove dojo points from children, once earned they are theirs to keep. The dojo system is working well and thank you to parents who have communicated to us through this. You can also talk to us through our website contacts page.

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
07.05.21	Friday	ALL	NSPCC Number Day	Dress as you please £1 donation via Parentpay
07.06.21	Monday	ALL	CPD Day	Teacher training on site.

Holiday dates

Friday 28 th May 2021	Last day of school before half term week
Tuesday 8th June 2021	School reopens for term 3b
Tuesday 20 th July 2021	Last day of school before Summer holidays



Attendance

Yellow – STM 98.57%

Blue – NA 95.17%

Green – SDA 96.36%

Red – QEII 95.87%

CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4	CLASS 5	CLASS 6	CLASS 7	CLASS 8	CLASS 9	CLASS 10	CLASS 11	CLASS 12
96.57%	96.57%	98.09%	98.57%	100.00% WINNERS!	97.04%	99.52%	96.97%	97.32%	91.02%	96.61%	92.00%



Certificates

RESILIENT:

REFLECTIVE: Madeline R C1, Jacob McG C5, Katie M C6, Alex W C9, Lilly H C10.

RESOURCEFUL: Nevaeh L C2, Theo K C3, Hettie S C4, Louie S C7, Jay McG C8, Ella F C11.

RECIPROCAL:

RESPECTFUL: Kayleigh S C12.

Pen Licence

Yuvraj M C5, Well done to you!



Birthdays

CLASS 5 YUVRAJ M

CLASS 8 ELI R

CLASS 11 ARCHIE H, TJ C, MARTY S.

CLASS 12 MADISYN RW

HAPPY BIRTHDAY- we hope you enjoy your special day!

