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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**

## Winter Term 2a Week 6

### News

Week beginning 06.12.21

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

ATTENDANCE  
WHOLE SCHOOL

**93.21%**

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 Headteacher: 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



**URGENT SAFEGUARDING: At SHPS we believe we all have a duty to keep all children safe. If**

you have a concern about any child or young person 'First Contact' has made it very easy for you to get in touch with them and this can be done anonymously. Telephone: 03000 267979, E-mail: [scd@durham.gov.uk](mailto:scd@durham.gov.uk).

[www.durham.gov.uk/firstcontact](http://www.durham.gov.uk/firstcontact) **Thank you so much for your vigilance.**

Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a difficult week for getting your children to and from school with the wind, rain and snow and we recognise the parking issues around the school. However, we have received complaints from residents on Waveney Road this week about the dangerous driving and the poor parking from people attending the school site. We believe walking to school is the best way forward if you live locally but respect that for some of you this is not an option, particularly in the icy weather.

Our greatest concern is the parking across dropped kerbs, on corners, on grass verges, in front of garages, blocking residents driveways and parking on yellow lines. **We are also concerned about our children running out in to the line of traffic and putting themselves at risk- we have had a number of near misses lately.** Please do not use our school drive entrance as a turning point as this must not be blocked as it is an emergency exit. Take particular care when coming into Waveney Road from Passfield Way as this is on a slope and dangerous when icy. Keep your speed low as this will allow everyone else to see, think and act safely. We are expecting visits from the police to monitor parking- their advice is for concerned residents to report directly to them. I also politely request that you turn down loud music as some of our neighbours work night shift and are sleeping. Please work with us to keep our whole community safe and well. Thank you.

**CLASSES 9 & 10:** Children can wear their xmas jumpers on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December as they will be wearing party clothes on the Thursday.

**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.

**JEWELLERY:** Small stud earrings can be worn but necklaces, bracelets and other hooped or dangle earrings are not allowed for safety reasons. Earrings must be removed for P.E or plasters provided from home to cover them.

**BREAKFAST CLUB:** Breakfast Club is open to Reception children up to Year 6, this does not need to be booked but will need to be paid for in advance please through Parentpay. The cost per day is £2 for the first child and £1 for any siblings.

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB:** 'Night Owls' Club must be booked and paid for 1 week in advance via Parentpay and we are unable to accept last minute bookings. Requests for emergency care for children must be discussed and approved by Mrs Boyd or the senior lead in school. The club is open to Reception children up to Year 6 from Monday to Thursday. Due to low numbers there is no club on Friday.

Collection is via the day gate which needs to be pushed as it does not open automatically and from the small hall doors next to reception. We do not release children to walk down the drive for safeguarding reasons. Siblings must be minimum 14 yrs of age to collect other siblings and a form will need to be completed to authorise this. **Children must be collected no later than 5 pm.**

**CONTACT DETAILS:** Please can you ensure we have up to date contact numbers in case of illness or accidents in school.

**PACKED LUNCHES:** We operate as a healthy school. Please see the food policy on our website for more information. Children with sweets and chocolates will not be able to eat them at lunchtime so please do not put them in their lunch boxes. A small cake or biscuit bar is acceptable.

**PARENTPAY:** Please pay by card rather than bank transfer as these take longer to process. Please pay for dinners either weekly or monthly in advance.

**ADDITIONAL DAYS HOLIDAY:** as advised by DCC we have identified an additional days holiday as Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Children will return to school Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.

#### **SCHOOL TIMES:**

Gates open 8.40 am and close at 9 am, reopen at 3 pm and close at 3.30 pm.

Preschool entry 8.50 am, gate opens for collection 11.45 am.

Classes 1, 2, 3 and 4 8.55am - 3.10pm

Classes 5.6.7.8.9.10.11 and 12 9am-3.15 pm

#### **POLITE REMINDERS:**

Contact the office to report sickness as messages via Dojo do not come to the office.

Complete a leave of absence form for any time taken out of school time.

Contact the office if your child has to attend an appointment- they do not have access to Dojo.

Keep your dog on a lead and away from the entrances.

In line with DCC policy this is a non smoking site including vapes.

Our admin staff do not have access to Dojo so please ring them to report absence.

## 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](http://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](http://www.durham.gov.uk/covid19help) or by phoning 03000 260 260.

### 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
08.12.21	Wednesday	C1 & C2	Xmas Party	More info to follow
10.12.21	Friday	Preschool	Xmas Party	More info to follow
13.12.21	Monday	C3 & C4	Xmas Party	More info to follow
14.12.21	Tuesday	C5 & C6	Xmas Party	More info to follow
14.12.21	Tuesday	Whole School	Holly & Ivy Roadshow (am)	More info to follow
15.12.21	Wednesday	C7 & C8	Xmas Party	More info to follow
16.12.21	Thursday	C9 & C10	Xmas Party	More info to follow
16.12.21	Thursday	Whole School	Xmas Dinner & Xmas Jumper Day	More info to follow
17.12.21	Friday	C11 & C12	Xmas Party	More info to follow

### Holiday dates

Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Last day of school before Xmas holidays
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	CPD Days school will be closed to pupils
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022</b>	<b>School reopens for term 2a</b>
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	Last day of school before half term week
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	<b>School closed - Additional day holiday</b>
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022</b>	<b>CPD Day school will be closed to pupils</b>
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2022	School reopens for term 2b
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	School closes for Easter Holidays
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022</b>	<b>School opens for term 2b</b>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022	School closed for May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022	School opens



## Attendance

Yellow – STM 92.32%

Blue – NA 92.82%

Green – SDA 94.68%

Red – QEII 92.59%

CLASS 1	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 4	CLASS 5	CLASS 6	CLASS 7	CLASS 8	CLASS 9	CLASS 10	CLASS 11	CLASS 12
94.27%	89.47%	94.50%	91.24%	94.58%	99.14%	98.25%	92.92%	95.00%	88.26%	94.14%	86.79%
					WINNERS!	WINNERS!					



## Certificates

**RESILIENT:** Alisha Mae S C3, Joshua B-B C4, Ivy U C7, Eden K C11, Harrison C C12.

**REFLECTIVE:** Amelia T-S C1, Maddie L C2, Xander J C8.

**RESOURCEFUL:**

**RECIPROCAL:** Emily He C5, Hettie S C6, Dexter J C12.

**RESPECTFUL:** N.S C9, Harrison Y C10.

## Pen Licence

Leo K C6, Tilly T C10. Well done to you both!



## Birthdays

CLASS 1 INDIA B, TOBY M, THOMAS D, ROMAN P.

CLASS 2 JUNIOR S, SYDNEY D.

CLASS 3 HARRISON A.

CLASS 4 JORDAN B-B, JOSHUA B-B DEXTER W.

CLASS 7 ATHENA M.

CLASS 8 JACE L.

CLASS 9 POPPY W, CHARLIE C.

CLASS 12 JACOB H.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY- we hope you enjoy your special day!

