



# Newsletter

## 24th February 2017



### Our attendance target is 97%

Up until last week..  
**95.2%**

Up until this week..  
**95.3%**



How can the Gingerbread Man get to the other side?



Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I trust you have had a super break. We especially welcome to Mary-Jane, George and Elizabeth who joined Badger Class and Izzy who started in Fox Class. We hope that they will be very happy joining the Shute family. We have more new starters expected after Easter in Hedgehog Class. It is wonderful to see the school's numbers increasing and a great credit to the team at Shute.



We have had a busy week with a highly successful swimming gala **which we won!** Well done for excellent team-work and thank you to Mrs Bromley and Mrs Skinner who accompanied them and Mrs Young for the planning of the event.

We have a very busy week next week too. Don't forget to bring in your pennies for **Pancakes** after school on **28<sup>th</sup> February** after the pancake races. If you have an old frying pan at home please send it **NAMED** to school on Tuesday. Thank you. You are all most welcome to watch from 3pm - 3:30pm.

On **2<sup>nd</sup> March** we will be 'Making Story Sacks' together in teams for **World Book Day** and would love to have your help. You should have received your invitation. I'm looking forward to hearing some fantastic stories.

May I request that you check your child/ren's PE kits. All children are required to have a PE kit in school as part of their school uniform. PE is a very important part of our curriculum and it is essential that children are dressed appropriately. Many children are saying that their trainers are too small, I know how easy it is to forget to check trainers as well as school shoes when feet grow. Please also check that all uniform is named. Thank you for your prompt attention.

#### PE Kit:-

- Burgundy Tee shirt (logo)
- Black shorts
- P.E. shoes or trainers for outdoor lessons
- White socks
- Track suit

Kind regards,  
Clare Rinaldi

### **Guitar Lessons**

We have managed to secure Guitar Lessons as a temporary measure starting next Friday morning. If your child would like to resume guitar lessons or start learning guitar, electric guitar or ukulele please see either Mrs Haysom or Mrs Rinaldi for details.

### **Swimming gala**

A huge thank you to all the schools who entered into our annual Year 3 and 4 swimming Gala on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2017 I was really impressed with the team efforts in the woggle relays and obstacle course where swimmers listened carefully to instructions and joined in on the fun.

Each race saw a range of winners from the schools participating with superb swimming throughout the day and great team spirit from all schools.

Hannah Oxley, Sports Co-ordinator Axe Valley Community College

### **Junk Modelling Material Requests**

Please could Mrs Clark have any Junk modelling materials for The Holt as they are making fire engines next week. Thank you.

### **PTFA**

The next PTFA meeting is on Thursday the 27th April at 15.30 after school.

### **Uniform Orders for The Holt and School:**

School uniform is available from School Trends please visit [www.stparent.co.uk](http://www.stparent.co.uk). **Orders will be placed on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month for delivery at the end of the month.**

Please feel free to come to the office and check out the various sizes to ensure you order the correct size online. For The Holt check sizes with Mrs Clark. Remember anything with an embroidered logo is non-returnable to School Trends. The Holt polo shirts can be worn if your child moves on to the Otter Class in September before growing into a school polo shirt.

### **Illness and Absence**

If your child is absent from school, you are requested to contact the school office before 9.15am. As required by our Safeguarding Policy if the administration team have not heard from you by early morning they will contact you to establish why your child is not in school. If we are unable to establish contact we may have to report this to the School Education Welfare Officer. **If your child needs to attend a medical appointment in school time, please complete the S2 form which can be found on the school website below or a hard copy is available from the entrance.**

<http://www.shuteprimary.co.uk/parents/general-information-for-parents/illness-and-absence/> or ask Mrs Haysom for one prior to the absence.

**If a child is late, he or she must be signed in by a parent or carer, they must follow the instructions in the entrance and use the intercom to alert a member of staff they have arrived.** Persistent lateness has a negative impact on learning and we support families to ensure all children arrive in good time. A letter or email must be sent to school with the child on their return to school and for any planned medical appointments.

### **Nut Allergy**

We have a child in school with a **severe nut allergy** so please **do not** bring any foods into school containing nuts under any circumstances.

## School Diary:

<b>February</b>	
<b>28.2.17</b>	<b>Pancake Races on the field (3:00pm) SHROVE TUESDAY</b>
<b>March</b>	
<b>1.3.17</b>	<b>Fox Swimming Lessons</b>
<b>2.3.17</b>	<b>WORLD BOOK DAY EVENT 1:30pm-3:30pm Parents Welcome</b>
<b>2.3.17</b>	<b>Devon Library Service Mobile Library</b>
<b>3.3.17</b>	<b>Celebration Assembly in the Church parents welcome</b>
<b>6.3.17</b>	<b>Fox class trip to Seaton Wetlands – More information to follow</b>
<b>6.3.17</b>	<b>Otters Group Donkeys</b>
<b>8.3.17</b>	<b>Fox Swimming Lessons</b>
<b>9.3.17</b>	<b>Play Leader Training for year 4s</b>
<b>15.3.17</b>	<b>Fox Swimming Lessons</b>
<b>17.3.17</b>	<b>Y5/6 Tag Rugby Festival</b>
<b>22.3.17</b>	<b>Parachute and Skipping Festival Otters</b>
<b>22.3.17</b>	<b>Fox Swimming Lessons</b>
<b>23.3.17</b>	<b>PARENTS' EVENING</b>
<b>27.3.17</b>	<b>Otters Group Donkeys</b>
<b>29.3.17</b>	<b>Fox Swimming Lessons</b>
<b>30.3.17</b>	<b>Devon Library Service Mobile Library</b>
<b>31.3.17</b>	<b>EASTER PARADE &amp; EGG ROLLING 9am DISCO 3:30pm-4:30pm</b>
<b>31.3.17</b>	<b>BREAK UP FOR EASTER</b>

### Local Information:-

**Wildlife gardening at Cranbrook**, Saturday 25 February, 10am to 12noon, Younghayes Community Centre, Cranbrook, free, no booking required.

Help the Country Park Ranger in the Cranbrook Country Park Wildlife garden

What's that bird? Saturday 25 February, 11am to 1pm, The Tower Hide at Seaton Wetlands, Free, no booking required.

Whatever your experience come along and improve your bird identification skills.

### Legacy to Landscape

The Ancient Tree Hunt event, Sunday 26 February (meet 2pm at entrance to Shute Barton) will be visiting the former medieval deer park Woodend Park (also known as Shute Park).

Please if you are planning to come, as the ground in some places is still very muddy , do wear wellies or stout boots (that could get very muddy!).

GPS and long measuring tapes too - and we will be bringing some

The trees in their winter plumage are looking stunning and even without leaves, full of character and of course full of wildlife.



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# MRS BEETON, MY SISTER

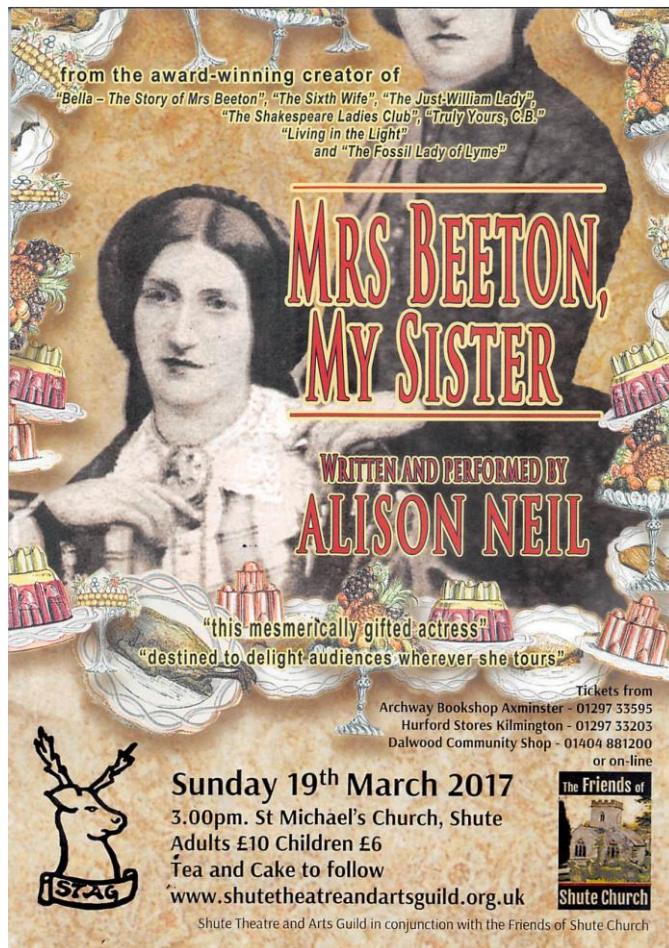
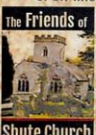

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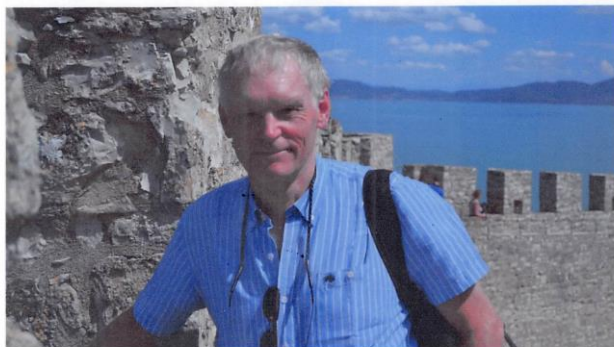
**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2017**  
 3.00pm. St Michael's Church, Shute  
 Adults £10 Children £6  
 Tea and Cake to follow  
[www.shutetheatreandartsguild.org.uk](http://www.shutetheatreandartsguild.org.uk)

Shute Theatre and Arts Guild in conjunction with the Friends of Shute Church

Please help me on 23 April!

**YOUNG LIVES  
 vs CANCER  
 CLIC SARGENT**



If you don't know me, I'm Alan Morbey one of your school governors. And this year, I've "decided" to enter the London Marathon!

The big event takes place on Sunday 23 April and I'll be supporting the children's cancer charity CLIC Sargent who do some wonderful work with children, young people, their families and carers helping them to focus on important things like getting well. If you feel you can help me with my fundraising, you can donate as follows:




- online at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Alan-Morbey>
- on your phone with JustTextGiving text LNDN58 £2/£5/£10 to 70070
- popping any spare pennies you have into the collection box
- by signing the sponsorship form

I hope to get into the school soon to explain a little more about what I'm doing. In the meantime, thank you so very much for helping.

Alan

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