



# Shute Primary School Newsletter 19th January 2019



Attendance Up to this week 94 %

Target 97%

Dear Parents,

Yesterday, the children who are in the Buzzard house team had a brilliant time in Shute woods doing forest school activities as a result of being the winning house team before Christmas. Mrs Clark was impressed with how the children interacted and worked together. One child said, 'We did lots of learning but it didn't seem like learning as it was great fun!' Another child said, 'I had an amazing time and loved working with the other year groups.' Shute school is in a wonderful environment and we will continue to use the outside to enhance their learning.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Germscheid

## Buzzard Forest Afternoon



### School Clubs

Clubs are still open to subscribe, if you can no longer see the item on ParentPay, please email Mrs Haysom on [admin@shuteprimary.org.uk](mailto:admin@shuteprimary.org.uk) to join.

### New Clubs

The spring term is now truly underway as we complete our second week back and I am aware that the children would benefit from having more after school clubs so I am pleased to say that after half term two new ones will be starting up. If you are able to offer a club please contact myself or Mrs Haysom so we can arrange for the necessary forms to be completed and information given out to parents.

### Fizz Pop Science Club

Following a parent suggestion, we have arranged for Fizz Pop to come in and hold an assembly on 13<sup>th</sup> February, following the assembly if your child would like to attend the afterschool club on Wednesdays after half term please follow the link and subscribe. This is an outsourced club and there is a payment required for the 5 sessions of £34. Club will start on 27<sup>th</sup> February if there is enough uptake. Link for more information <https://fizzpopscience.co.uk/afterschoolbooking/>

### KS2 Newspaper Club

On Thursdays run by Mrs Kate Williams, the children will be involved in writing articles for the newspaper/taking pictures and learning how to lay it up, with the aim of producing a newspaper by the end of the spring term, please look out on ParentPay to consent to this club starting on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

### Trips

All trip information will be sent out via **Parentmail** requesting all consents for the trips are given via your **ParentPay** login. Please keep an eye out for these notifications.

### ParentPay

There has been an amazing uptake to the ParentPay system you will now not only be able to pay for and order lunches, but also consent to trips. Remember lunch order deadlines are always the Thursday before the week you wish to order. For trips, you will always receive a ParentMail communication prompting you to log in to ParentPay and consent. Paper copies will only be issued as a last resort.

To see a before school club balance in your ParentPay account, just ask Mrs Haysom to add your balance.

### PTFA

The next meeting will be on Thursday 24th January at 09:30 at the Grazing Cow along the A35. All welcome.

The PTFA will be holding a **cake sale on Friday 25th January** to raise money for the before school clubs much needed resources. If the weather is fine we will be on the playground from 3pm and if not in the school hall.

### Message from Mr Lewis- Federation ICT lead

#### Screen Time

There have been a number of scientific studies published in recent times looking into the effect of significant screen time on children. That is the amount of time they spend looking at a screen on TV, tablet, phone and computer. Whilst all present varying degrees of impact there is a growing consensus of the negative effects screens have on the quality of sleep. Screen use, especially close to bed time stimulate the brain and can affect the release of the sleep hormone, making it harder for children and adults to get to sleep. We are seeing the effects of this in school, tired pupils do struggle more than their refreshed peers. We would strongly discourage screen use in the hour before bedtime to enable children to switch off and become calmer and ultimately find it easier to sleep.

#### Data Processing Consent

As a school, under GDPR, we need to have clear consent to use your child's personal information in ways that fall outside our legal obligations. You may give and update your consent at any time by completing this short form:

<https://www.axebf.org.uk/information/privacy-policy/consent-form/>

Should access to this form online be difficult, paper copies are available from the school office.

## **Sickness**

In line with NHS and Department of Education guidelines, children should not come into school for at least 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.

## **School lunches**

Reminder that the cost of school meals for pupils aged 3-4 (In Squirrels FSU) and in Year 3 and above is **£2.40** per day. Lunch money should be paid in advance via ParentPay.

## **Uniform Orders.**

**Please bear with Mrs Haysom while she sources a new uniform supplier.**

## **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 L5 form which can be found on the school website. <http://www.shuteprimary.co.uk/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 the office and a member of staff will come and let you in to sign them in.

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.

## **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES – BAD WEATHER**

### **A REMINDER FOR EXISTING PARENTS AND NEW INFORMATION FOR OTHERS**

All possible efforts will be made to keep the school open. However, we will close the school if the following reasons apply which impacts on our ability to ensure the safety of your children.

These are:

- We cannot ensure that a sufficient number of staff can get in safely to supervise the children adequately
- The school site is dangerous or there is a lack of amenities e.g. frozen pipes, no heating etc.
- The weather forecast is predicting further severe weather that day and we cannot guarantee getting the children home safely

Closing the school is taken in consultation with the Executive Headteacher and Chair of Governors and will be made at around 7.30am to allow as much time as possible for you to make alternative arrangements.

We alert parents that the school is closed by Parentmail by text and by posting a closure notice on our school website. This should be the first place to look if in any doubt. The school website address is [www.shuteprimary.co.uk](http://www.shuteprimary.co.uk)

Closure notice will be posted on the local radio stations (BBC Devon, Heart FM). A notice will also be placed on the Devon County Council Severe Weather Website.

Please do not let children walk to school unaccompanied if the weather is severe and there is a doubt the school will be open.

If the school is open but you judge it is too dangerous to transport your children to school then please stay at home. We do ask that you let the school know as early as possible so that we know that they will not be attending.

Should the weather deteriorate during the day and we have to close the school early then you will be sent a text message. Therefore it is vital that your Parentmail contact number is up-to-date and that mobile telephones are switched on. Thanks.

## Diary Dates:-

<b>January 2019</b>	
21.1.19	Hedgehog Class Swimming Lessons
22.1.19	Reception Children Dance Festival
23.1.19	Year 3 & 4 Gymnastics Festival
28.1.19	Hedgehog Class Swimming Lessons
<b>February 2019</b>	
4.2.19	Hedgehog Class Swimming Lessons
6.2.19	Move, Make Motivate session 2 (selected pupils)
11.2.19	Hedgehog Class Swimming Lessons
15.2.19	Year 3 & 4 Federation Team Building
<b>18-24.2.19</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
28.2.19	Squirrels Trip to Seaton Wetlands
<b>March 2019</b>	
4.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
5.3.19	Year 6 PE Academy (Selected pupils)
7.3.19	World Book Day
11.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
15.3.19	Red Nose Day
18.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
19.3.19	Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby Festival
20.3.19	Year 3 & 4 Swimming Gala
25.3.19	Fox Class Swimming
26.3.19	Fox Class Trip to Seaton Wetlands
27.3.19	Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby Festival
<b>April 2019</b>	
2.4.19	Reception Parachute Festival
<b>5.4.19</b>	<b>Last Day of Term</b>

## JUNIOR SHORT TENNIS 2019



**JUNIOR INDOOR TENNIS COACHING**  
on **FRIDAYS** in January – March 2019  
at Kilmington Village Hall, EX13 7RF.

**4-5pm INFANTS. 4-7yrs**

**5-6pm JUNIORS 8-11yrs +**

WITH parents, grandparents or carers!

**Fridays 19 January; 2,9 February, 2,9 March**

(and maybe a Saturday later in the season)

£2 per session. Coaching, Games, Quiz & Drinks available. Book in please. First 12 at each session.

**Organised by Kilmington Tennis Club.**

Tel. Simon Holloway 07986 274393. PTR Coach

Supported by Jane Chalk

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## SEARCHING for the next Andy Murray and Johanna Konta?

