



**Shute Primary School
Newsletter
20th September 2019**



Attendance Up to this week 97 %

Target 95%

Dear Parents,

It has been another week of wonderful weather and the children have been enjoying their time outside. There has been a range of interesting activities across all classes this week. It was nice to see all clubs starting this week and to observe the variety of clubs on offer. Children in Year 1/2 and 5/6 thoroughly enjoyed the visit from the Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Team on Monday afternoon and I know children in Year 3/4 are excited about working with B sharp and East Devon AONB on the Nature Songs project next week.

Yesterday, I enjoyed working with Squirrel class and seeing the wide range of fun and exciting areas of continuous provision that the children get to choose from each day.

Finally, I do hope that you were able to look at your child's work, classroom and talk to your child's class teacher today for the 'Meet the Teacher' session in school. All the children have made a great start to the new school year and that is reflected in the quality of work in their books. The staff work incredibly hard at Shute to give your children unique opportunities and a wonderful education.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Mr Germscheid

Federation update

The Axe Beacon Federation has had a temporary change in leadership until Mr Rolls returns as he is currently on medical leave. There are two Co-Executive Headteachers of the Axe Beacon Federation, Mr Nic George is supporting Seaton and Kilmington Primary Schools and Ms Claire Redwood is supporting Colyton and Shute Primary Schools. Ms Redwood is primarily based at Colyton Primary School but she is working with myself weekly to improve all aspects of the five areas that OFSTED focus on when they visit a school. Ms Redwood is an experienced Headteacher who has worked with Mr George in the past and together they have high expectations for all four schools in the federation.

Contact details

Those still to return their brown envelopes will be contacted by Parentmail. Please return them ASAP

3DChild

Children across our schools are becoming more familiar with 3DChild and its facets of: create, energise, explore, imagine, relax and socialise. We are currently focussing on explore in our schools. Next week, is our 3DChild week meaning that we are suspending homework to allow space for children and families to enjoy other activities at home. Ideas of what you could do are on the [3DChild website](#).

It may be that you might together explore our local area and in doing so might come across 3DChild. If you are able to visit Seaton or Colyton library, the Owl & Pyramid bookshop in Seaton or the Community Waffle House in Axminster, children will be able to receive a 3DChild sticker. We hope to make further

links in our community, so keep exploring and keep an eye out for the 3DChild logo.

PTFA

Meeting after school on Monday 23rd September. All welcome to attend. We have a new email address if you would like to be kept up to date: ptfashute@gmail.com

Just send us a message and we will ensure you are on the mailing list.

Bank details are as follows, if you would like to make a donation

Account number 00120391

Sort code 30-90-37

Shute Festival

Shute Festival 2019 was a great success again. From spies to scented gardens, clay-making to land art, forensic science and murder, to plastic oceans and a death row artist. A whirlwind of three days of talks, walks, films and kids workshops all in the most glorious weather. Thank you to everyone who came to speak, engage and got involved. We are delighted to be able to make a donation of profits of over £300 for the outdoor spaces and garden at Shute School. The children who did come were treated to fabulous workshops and took home an array of things including clay pots and sculptures as well as being able to enjoy the open day at Little Orchard Alpacas.



Message from Sarah Ryan

Singers 'One Night Only' event - Half term rehearsals (I have kept to Monday and Friday to allow days in between for those who want to organise activities)

Venue: Seaton Gateway Theatre

Address: The Town Hall, Fore Street, Seaton, EX12 2LD Tel 01297 625699

Monday 21st October (10am-12pm)

Friday 25th October (10am-12pm)

Details of dress rehearsals on Saturday 26th October TBC nearer the term show time. Tickets available at Millers Farm Shop. Come and see Gareth Malowes Military Wives, TV celebs and of course our fantastic

singers from Shute!

Building/landscaping work

Thank you to those of you concerned about the state of the turf due to lack of water. Rain is in the forecast for next week and the watering that has begun hopefully will allow the turf to recover but if not then the contractors will have to rectify it. It has been great to see the Wendy shed and PE shed going up the last couple of days along with the other areas beginning to take shape.

School Meals

Parents should apply for Free School Meals through the **Citizen Portal** on our [Free School Meals Website](#) parents must show the school confirmation of eligibility. If parents are not online they can apply by phoning the **Customer Service Centre** on **0345 155 1019** where an up to date application form will be posted out to them.

Schools **cannot** request application forms on behalf of parents.

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 **£2.50** per day. Lunch money should be paid in advance via ParentPay. Orders must be placed the Thursday before the week lunches are required.

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. <https://shuteprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/2019/03/S2-October-2018.pdf> 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.

Diary Dates:

September	Event
20.9.19	Whole School – Meet the teacher 3:30-4:15pm
24.9.19	Reception Parents – Phonics meeting in the hall 2:30pm
25.9.19	Badger Class Swimming Lesson
26.9.19	Whole School – Library Van Visit
1.10.19	Whole School Trip to Magdalen Farm
3.10.19	SCHOOL CENSUS DAY
24.9.19	B Sharp Music Lessons – Hedgehog Class

2.10.19	Badger Class Swimming Lesson
2.10.19	Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 X-Country TBA
4.10.19	Harvest Festival Assembly 2:45pm in the Church all welcome
7.10.19	Yr 5 & 6 Swimming Gala TBA
8.10.19	B Sharp Music Lessons – Hedgehog Class
9.10.19	Badger Class Swimming Lesson
15.10.19	B Sharp Music Lessons – Hedgehog Class
17.10.19	Music Extravaganza with Sarah Ryan – 2-3.15pm





Fight the Flu!

Protect your children and family against Flu!

FREE annual nasal Flu spray!!

All years included: Reception, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6!

For further information and to complete a consent form please access:

<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2019/devon>

