



Shute Primary School Newsletter 27th September 2019



Attendance Up to this week 97 %

Target 95%

Dear Parents,

We have now finished a month in school, hard to believe and before we know it half-term will have arrived. Next week is a busy week with the trip to Magdalen farm and the Harvest assembly. Please check diary dates and always ask if you are unsure of anything happening at school.

Nature Songs Project

I had the enjoyment of going with Hedgehog class (Y3/4) to Shute woods on Tuesday. This was part of the Nature Songs project that is being run by B-sharp. On Tuesday the children were led by Penny Evans from Seaton Wetlands who helped the children to develop their 5 senses by exploring the natural materials in the woods. Penny shared her incredible knowledge of trees, plants and flowers and the children had a wonderful time learning. On this visit were three members of the B-sharp music team who will be planning three more weekly sessions on how to bring nature into music. The enthusiasm of the children was fantastic and I am looking forward to the finished music project which we are hoping that Hedgehog parents will be able to attend.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the 'Meet the Teacher' visits to their child's classroom last Friday. The teachers hope you found it useful to see your children's work, look around and speak to them about the upcoming year. After half-term we will be having our Autumn parents evening where you can have a more formal conversation about your child's learning.

3rd October Census Day

Thursday 3rd October is school census day, part of the data collected on this day are the numbers of children taking up Universal Free School Meals from reception to and including year 2. Based on the numbers on this day the government provide the school with well needed funds to go towards providing these free meals. Offering a free school meal promotes the healthy eating message by providing nutritionally balanced meals.

We would like to encourage that if you don't already, but would like to try next week having a school meal it would be an excellent time and you

would be supporting your school with well needed funding to provide these meals. Please log in to your parent Pay account and select your options as the deadline is today, if however you don't make the selection today, just drop an email to the school office admin@shuteprimary.org.uk

AXE
BEACON
FEDERATION

Invites you for dinner on
3rd October

Census Day

Cottage Pie
Marvellous Mash Topping
Green Beans

Shortbread or Fruit Salad or Yoghurt

I'll see you there

Join us on the 3rd October

I can't wait

I can't wait

Harvest Festival-Friday 4th October

Harvest Festival Assembly 2:45pm in the Church all welcome.

We will be collecting for Axminster Food Bank, please could your child bring their donation into school next week. Donations of the following would be most appreciated:

Tinned Veg, fruit, custard, rice pudding, beans, ham, fish, pulses and soups,
pasta sauces, jam, milk, coffee/tea, cereals/porridge, rice/pasta

They do accept all forms of food like condiments, biscuits, crisps, crackers etc.

Autumn weather

Please send into school with your child a warm coat that can be worn in wet or cold weather. Many children turned up this week without a coat. Please make sure all clothes are labelled as we are starting to get a large collection of jumpers and coats that don't have names in them. If your child is missing anything please come and have a look.

Whole School Harvest Festival Day to Magdalen Farm - Tuesday 1st October 2019 We have arranged for the whole school to visit Magdalen Farm, near Chard in Somerset to take part in their 'Incredible Edible' Harvest Festival Day. The children will be working within their class groups, taking part in a number of different activities including picking and tasting vegetables from the garden, apple juicing and animal jobs.

The children need to be in school, in their classes at 8:45am so that they can be registered and prepared for the journey. You are welcome to drop your child off from 8:40am on this morning, so that we can allow the coaches to park safely.

The coaches will collect us all at 9:00am prompt from the gatehouse and return us for approximately 3:20pm.

The children do not need to wear school uniform. We will be outside all day, so please dress accordingly for this. Coats and welly boots are essential. Please provide your child with a packed lunch and a refillable water bottle. If you would like to order a school packed lunch, please do this via Parent Pay.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr Germscheid

Netball club Tuesday 1st October

Due to the whole school trip on this day there will be no club.

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. This 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

The PTFA have asked that we let you know that the children are designing a Christmas picture which will be sent off soon. The image will be able to be placed on a number of items such as Christmas cards, tea towels and mugs. Ideal Christmas presents! The information will be coming home before half term for you to consider if you would like to order any of your child's designs.

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 Shutel!

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
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! virginicare

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>



SENSORY SEEKING VS. SENSORY SENSITIVE

I could bounce on a trampoline & spin in circles on the tire swing all day long

I like to smell things

I love to play with the lights and turn them on and off

I enjoy making lots of noise – the louder the better

I don't notice if my clothing is disheveled or not on right

Tackle me, roll on the floor with me, give me bear hugs

I love taking risks, jumping from high up and crashing into things

I love having my hair brushed or played with

I chew on everything in sight. I love crunchy foods

I love being tickled and massaged

I hate wearing shoes

I am scared of trampolines, monkey bars or to swing high

I dislike having my hair brushed

I hate certain food textures so I'm a picky eater

I close my eyes in bright lights

I cover my ears to loud noise

I'm very sensitive to smells

I don't like being tickled

I'm really cautious with every step I take

I take out the tags in my clothes and there's some fabrics I won't wear

Don't touch me

I hate being barefoot




SHUTE Festival

An amazing three days of talks, walks,
film and activities



Amazing Shute Festival 2019. 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 everyone who came to speak, engage and got involved....We have had lovely feedback from those who came and managed to make a £600 donation of profits to the Shute School outdoor spaces and to maintenance and fabric of St Michael's Church Shute. We will be back next year so please continue to spread the word and support the small festival with the big ideas which is rooted in the community and landscape.

**AXMINSTER
ROCK'N'POP
CLUB**
age 9-11

Make music, play, sing and create
your own tracks.

Tuesdays 3.45-5.00 during term time

Axe Valley Academy
Chard St, Axminster
EX13 5EA

All music sessions are
affordable & inclusive.
Free & subsidised places
available.

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