

# Shute Primary School Newsletter 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019



Target 95%

Attendance Up to this week 97 %

Dear Parents,

# Whole School Trip to Magdalen Farm

The whole school enjoyed a wonderful day at Magdalen Farm on Tuesday. We just about managed to dodge the passing showers and took part in an exciting variety of hands on learning experiences including pressing our own apple juice, feeding the pigs and the goats and harvesting and eating the delicious fruits and vegetables from the garden and poly tunnels. A huge thank you to the PTFA for paying the price of the two coaches and to Helen Maynard, Eloise Freeth, Jo Jones and Alison Diamond for accompanying us for the day.

# A couple of quotes from children from Badger Class

"My favourite bit about Magdalen Farm was the goats and the pigs, because the pig pen was super muddy and I named a goat" - Poppy

"My favourite bit about Magdalen Farm was when I saw the horse and when we made apple juice, because it tasted so nice and it was fresh." - Mia

"My favourite bit of Magdalen Farm was when we made the apple juise, because we got to mush up all the apples that we cut up and also picking the vegetables, because I picked a carrot with two legs."- Grace S

## X-Country Yr 3/4/5 & 6

"It was a really nice and warm day. Everyone ran their best. Y3&4 had to run 2 1/2 laps round the field. Y5&6 ran 3 1/2 laps. We all did really well. William and Joe came 6th! Our legs were hurting afterwards but it was brilliant fun! "By Hedgehogs.

# Reminder Harvest Festival-Friday 4th October

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

We will be collecting for Axminster Food Bank. 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.

#### Named Clothing

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.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

The Shute Team

#### 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 21<sup>st</sup> October (10am-12pm)

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October (10am-12pm)

Details of dress rehearsals on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> 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!

#### School Meals

Parents should apply for Free School Meals through the Citizen Portal on our <u>Free School Meals Website</u> 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.

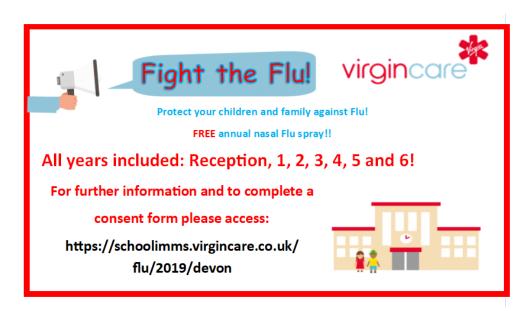
If your child needs to attend a medical appointment in school time, please complete the S2 form which can be found on the school website. <a href="https://shuteprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/2019/03/S2-October-2018.pdf">https://shuteprimary.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/2019/03/S2-October-2018.pdf</a> 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  |
|-------------------|--|
| 4.10.19           | Harvest Festival Assembly 2:45pm in the Church all welcome |
| 7.10.19           | Yr 5 & 6 Swimming Gala (Individuals notified)              |
| 8.10.19           | B Sharp Music Lessons – Hedgehog Class                     |
| 8.10.19           | House Captains Leader Training CGS (Individuals notified)  |
| 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              |
| 21.10.19-25.10.19 | Half Term  |
| 28.10.19          | First Day back to school                                   |
| 29.10.19          | B Sharp Music Lessons – Hedgehog Class                     |
| 29.10.19          | Fox Class Morning Trip to Seaton                           |
| 30.10.19          | Hedgehog Class Swimming Lesson                             |
| 1.11.19           | School Photographs   |
| 6.11.19           | Hedgehog Class Swimming Lesson                             |
| 13.11.19          | Hedgehog Class Swimming Lesson                             |
| 13.11.19          | Fox Class Gymnastics at axe Valley Academy                 |
| 14.11.19          | Hedgehog Class Trip to Haynes Motor Museum                 |
| 20.11.19          | Hedgehog Class Swimming Lesson                             |
| 20.11.19          | Yr 1 & 2 Multi-Skills Festival                             |
| 21.11.19-26.11.19 | Scholastic Book Fair                                       |
| 27.11.19          | Hedgehog Class Swimming Lesson                             |
| 28.11.19          | PE Academy workshop (Individuals will be notified)         |
| 2.12.19           | Flu Vaccination Day  |
| 2.12.19           | Move, Make, Motivate (Individuals will be notified)        |
| 4.12.19           | Hedgehog Class Swimming Lesson                             |
| 6.11.19           | Parents Evening 4-6pm                                      |
| 7.11.19           | Parents Evening 4-6pm                                      |
| 10.12.19          | Reception Team Challenge TBA                               |
| 11.12.19          | Nativity Production 2pm in the church                      |
| 12.12.19          | Nativity Production 4pm in the church                      |
| 13.12.19          | Christmas Fair 3:15-4pm                                    |



Some of you will have heard that there is a move afoot to re-establish a choir at Shute to sing occasional services in the Church. I'm glad to say that this will now be happening, and you are invited to take part!

We are very lucky that Peter Lea Cox, whom you will all know not just as our neighbour but also as a worldclass organist and choirmaster, has volunteered to direct the choir. As a result, we will be in very good hands, and thanks to his experience the rehearsals and singing will be a positive and uplifting experience!

The intention is to sing Gregorian Chant, or plainsong. This music is not only beautiful, ancient, and highly spiritual, but also is in unison, and will be easy to sing. The idea is to sing music which can be learned quickly and without much rehearsal, but which we can perform confidently and without stress. The music would be the main component of the service, and the service would be lay-led, and without a sermon.

Our long-term goal is to sing a service - hopefully evensong - once every two months at Shute. We hope this will be feasible in terms of everyone's busy schedules. If you are able to join, it will be a great benefit to the community!

The first rehearsal will be at 7-8.30pm on Thursday 7 November at St Michael's Church Shute. This will be for an evensong on Sunday 1 December at 4pm (Advent Sunday).

Please let me know if you would like to be in the choir, and if will be able to make the rehearsal on 7 November. If you know other people who would like to sing, please pass this message to them and ask them to get in touch!

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# Friday 1st November

After School in the hall

Grab yourself a treat ready for

Bonfire celebrations

