



## Newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

## Shute Primary School

Attendance Up to this week 96 %

Target 95%

*Dear Parents/Carers,*

What a wonderful week it has been! The weather cooperated with us which allowed both sports days to take place. As I said in the parentmail, both events were a joy to be at and the children were fantastic with all the children showing wonderful sportsmanship and being a credit to Shute school. A huge thank you to the staff who put so much time into making Sports Day a success and to the PTFA for providing the ice lollies.

We will be saying goodbye to Mr Smith at the end of the term. Mr Smith has been an amazing part of Shute School for the past four years and we will all miss his enthusiasm and dedication. We wish him all the best as he takes on a full time position at Honiton Primary School in September.

The children in Hedgehog class took part in the final drama workshop which was led by Rob Putner on Wednesday this week. The children in Hedgehog class and across the school have really loved doing the drama activities. If your child is interested, I know Rob is leading three days of drama workshops during the holiday. Please check your parentmail for the details of these workshops which will be held at the school in August.

Next week on Tuesday afternoon (6<sup>th</sup> July) the children will be having a transition afternoon with their new class and teacher in preparation for September. The Year 6 children will be doing Forest school with Mr. Smith and Heather Gibbard. The following week on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July the children will have their final transition afternoon working with their teacher and new class in preparation for September.

Sarah Ryan will be putting on her annual music extravaganza on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> July for the whole school to watch in the morning outside on the stage and then after school on Friday at 3.45pm for 1 parent per family if your child is taking part. Please see the parentmail that will be sent out today if your child is taking part for further details from Sarah.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mr Germscheid

## Hedgehog Drama Workshop

The boys are acting out the 'rumpus' during Where the Wild Things Are. In the second photo the children are pretending to be a monster and in the third photo the girls are a lion and lion tamer at the circus.



### ***Thoughts from the children:***

#### **What did I enjoy during the workshop?**

Today we went to the workshop, our teacher was called Rob. In the workshop the first thing we did was learn our rules and they were listening, respect and have fun. We practiced our listening skills. We mimed and learnt that we need to use your imagination and be committed. After we mimed being on thin ice, hot sand and walking in heavy diving boots. My favourite part was miming 'Where the wild things are'.

#### **What did I enjoy during the drama lesson?**

Today I had someone called Rob and I enjoyed the bit where we had to pick which song that we liked. And one song was baby shark which was hilarious!

Also I liked when I swept the poop deck pretending to be a pirate.

I liked swimming too! I also quite liked doing the tableaux

Then we did penguin jumps and other things that were so cool.

### **Summer Hamper Prize Draw**

We have started selling lucky squares for the prize draw to win a Summer Hamper full of Ganesha and Lyme Bay Brewery goodies!

Squares will be sold on the school field at pick up time every day until 15th July.

Each square costs £2, with 3 for £5 and 7 for £10.

Please bring the correct change, or you can pay online via our bank account:

Bank account name: Shute C.P School P.T.F.A

Sort code: 30-90-37

Account no: 00120391

Reference: Prize Draw

### **Uniform Sale**

We will be holding a school uniform sale in the school grounds on Friday 16th July at pick up time.

If you have any old uniforms that your children have outgrown, please keep them and we will ask you to bring them to school on an allotted day in the next few weeks.

Many thanks

PTFA Team

### **Free School Meals**

*All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 at state schools in England automatically get free school meals. However, parents and guardians are encouraged to apply for free school meals when they enrol their child in school, as this can help their child's school to attract additional ['pupil premium'](#) funding to support learning.*

*From year 3 onwards, children whose parents are getting any of the following are entitled to free school meals:*

- *Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).*
- *Income Support (IS).*
- *Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA).*
- *Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA).*
- *The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.*
- *Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.*
- *Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs, that does not exceed £16,190).*
- *Working Tax Credit run-on (the payment you get for a further 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).*

### **Pupil Premium**

*The pupil premium is additional funding given to state-funded schools in England to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils and close the gap between them and their peers.*

*There are 4 elements to pupil premium:*

1. *Free school meal eligibility*
2. *service children*
3. *adopted from care, special guardianship order and residence order*

#### 4. children in care

Any qualifying family that registers their eligibility (based on the free school meal criteria) will help raise pupil premium money for the school. For 2020-21, the additional funding will be £1,345 for a primary school, for each registered child.

Do I need to apply for pupil premium? (based on free school meal criteria)

You only need to apply if you have a child in reception, year 1 or year 2 and both of the following apply:

- you do not have an existing free school meal claim
- you are in receipt of any of the qualifying benefits (see [School meals](#) for a list of the qualifying benefits).

#### How to apply

Through the [Citizen Portal](#) which is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision.

Parents and carers can also ring the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019.

#### 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. [Absence-request-form.pdf \(shute-primary.org.uk\)](#) 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:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Fox class forest school on Tuesday afternoons(6 weeks- 8<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> June/6<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> July</b> <b>Squirrel class forest school on Fridays (6 weeks- 11<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> June/2<sup>nd</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Forest school</b>
<b>Friday afternoons for 5 weeks</b>	<b>Top up swimming for Years 5/6</b>

<i>11<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> June/ 2<sup>nd</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> July</i>	<b><i>Flamingo pool</i></b>
<i>Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> July (rehearsal in am- whole school- outside stage area) Parents of musicians invited after school- outside stage area for 3.45pm Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> July- Reserve day as above if weather is bad on 9<sup>th</sup> July</i>	<b><i>Sarah Ryan's music show (all musicians)</i></b>
<i>Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July (outside stage area- Year 6 parents) Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> July- Reserve day as above for Year 6 parents if weather is bad on 16<sup>th</sup> July</i>	<b><i>KS2 (Hedgehogs and Badgers) end of summer celebration along with our Year 6 leavers and Year 6 parents</i></b>
<i>Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> July</i>	<b><i>School reports sent home to parents</i></b>
<i>Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July</i>	<b><i>Last day of summer term</i></b>