

Shere Church of England Infant School

Roots to grow, wings to fly

Friday 4th November 2016

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Dairy of Events

November

Saturday 5th

Open Morning for prospective families

Monday 7th

Book Focus—The Smartest Giant in Town
Anti-Bullying Week

Tuesday 8th

Revd Nick Assembly
FOSSA & Governors AGM 7pm

Thursday 10th

School Photos

Friday 11th

Remembrance Day

Friday 18th

Pamper & Shopping Night – Netley House

Monday 21st

Book Focus – Cave Baby

Tuesday 29th

Revd Nick Assembly

December

Thursday 1st

Christmas Tree Assembly

Saturday 3rd

FOSSA Christmas Fair

Monday 5th

Book Focus – The Gruffalo

Tuesday 6th

Reindeer Run

Tuesday 13th @ 1.45

Whole School Nativity Production in the Village Hall

Wednesday 14th @ 1.45

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Dear Families,

It has been lovely to see so many of you at parents evening this week, thank you for all the supportive comments you have made. Lots of you have talked about the great experiences children are having at school. We are all about building memories at Shere and it is good to hear that we are succeeding in this.

Celebrating Diwali:

Today the children have been celebrating Diwali with some very special visitors in school. The lovely Tushna has talked to each class about Diwali and how it is celebrated. The children have tasted yogurt with saffron, made rangoli patterns and painted divas. Each class has taken part in a workshop with Senjuti who taught us some Indian stories and dance. We have had a great time and learnt so much.



Annual General Meeting:

Tuesday 8th November at 7pm

Next week we will be holding our important annual general meeting for parents and governors. You will hear about developments in school and have the opportunity to give your views and opinions about our strategic direction. At our last meeting parents wanted increased physical activity and improved sports teaching. This has resulted in our new sports coaching on a Wednesday afternoon which is proving a huge success.

After the governors have briefed you FOSSA will talk about their role and future fundraising events. I cannot express just how important this is. As a small school our budget is extremely tight, FOSSA helps make our school shine by allowing us the funds for all the special extras that your children love. Ours is a small school community and the school expects all parents to be actively involved in fundraising.

Grande Synthe:

As many of you are aware I spent half term in Dunkirk visiting the Medicine San Frontier camp for refugees. This was such an overwhelming experience and I was struck by the huge barriers these children have to learning now and in the future. The cultural barriers were huge and far beyond my expectations.

Tuesday 20th

Last day of Autumn Term & Christmas Service

School ends at 1.30

Shere School Celebrates

Stars of the Week

Zahan Benford, Robins

Kaila Arrow, Wrens

Harry Callaghan, Owls

Citizen of the week

Hugo Lloyd, Robins

Charlie Snowden, Wrens

Evie Wood, Owls

Shere School has always been a special place but I don't think I have ever appreciated it quite as much as I have this week.

Many of you have asked what you can do to help and I am giving this very careful consideration. In school I have decided to focus on Unicef's Rights of the Child award which teaches children about their rights and how it might feel if you are without those rights – I can link this in a very meaningful and age appropriate way to my experiences.



**Best Wishes,
Vicky Voller**