

Shere CE Infant School & Fox Cubs Nursery

Roots to grow...Wings to fly

Our Vision: A first class education in a small village school.

Friday 9th March 2018

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March

Sunday 11th

Mothers Day Service
St James Church at 10am.

WB Monday 12th

Castles Theme

Tuesday 13th

Education Welfare Officer
visit to Shere.

Canon Nick Assembly

WB Monday 19th

Princesses with Attitude

Tuesday 20th

Reverend Rosemary
Assembly

WB Monday 26th

Princesses with Attitude
Theme

Thursday 22nd

Year R Spectrum Sports

Tuesday 27th

Year 2 Sats Evening
5.30pm Owls Classroom

Thursday 29th

Church 9.30
End of term @1.30

Summer Term

Monday 16th April

Start of term

Friday 20th April

Year 2 Spring Sing

Dear Families,

The school is incredibly busy at the moment and there just doesn't seem to be enough time to fit in all that we need to in such a short term. All the staff and most importantly the children are working hard and are making tremendous progress.

Just this term we received confirmation of our results for 2016. These results reflect the academic attainment, in reading, writing and mathematics, of the children that left Shere last year. I am very pleased to report that our children did incredibly well with results that put Shere Infant School in the top 10% of high performing schools in the country in all subjects.

I attribute this success to a number of factors and primarily to a team of excellent and highly experienced teachers who ensure that effective teaching and learning takes place every day. In addition, our highly effective curriculum ensures that children are engaged in exciting play based lessons that are age appropriate and fun. I would also like to highlight the hard work and commitment that we see from the children day in day out.

Our mastery curriculum model has also ensured that children exceeding the expected standard are well above other schools nationally and locally.

Assessment Tracking:

This week I have been working with Zoe Wood, in her role as School Governor, to track the assessment of our current children. We are keen to track progress at very regular intervals throughout each term to ensure we are pitching our teaching correctly and intervening if any child is struggling in a particular area. Our data shows that children in all classes and in the nursery are making very good progress in all subject areas and we are pleased to note that children receiving intervention are also doing really well.

Parent Governors:

You will have received a letter at the beginning of the week asking for nominations for the role of parent governor. Many of you have expressed an interest in the strategic direction of the school and I know that our parent body is filled with highly experienced people with a lot to offer. Being on the Board of Governors is a really good way of being involved in the decision making processes of the school and learning from the inside how educational establishments run.

Our new governor really needs to come from the parent body so that parents are represented effectively as stakeholders in our school. Nursery parents as well as those in the school are very welcome to apply. If you would like to have a chat about the role please do come and see me.

Thursday 10th May

Rescheduled date for the
Yr 1 Spectrum Sports
Event

Stars of the Week:

Leo Terrett - Yr R

Sebastian Akroyd – Yr 1

Eden Wallace – Yr 2

Citizens of the Week:

Harry Ford – Yr R

Jackson Knowlton – Yr 1

Kaila Arrow – Yr 2

Attendance:

It seems to have been a really dreadful year for bugs and illness and as a result a lot of children have missed a number of school days. Each term the educational welfare officer visits Shere to conduct a register check and any children with attendance below 96% will be included in her report. It is likely that a number of children will fall into this category. If you are concerned about your child's attendance this term please make an appointment to see me to discuss how we can support you.

Mothers Day:

With all that has been going on Mothering Sunday has rather crept up on us, so please excuse the rather late invitation to church this Sunday. We have been learning songs to share with you and would also like to share thoughts about our Mums and how special they are. If you haven't made other plans please come along to St James Church this Sunday at 10.00 for our shared service. Children should wear smart school uniform please.

Year Two SATS Meeting:

Parents of children in Year 2 are invited to attend our SATs information meeting on Tuesday 27th March at 5.30pm. This will be held in the Year Two classroom and is a chance to find out about the formal assessments our Year 2 children will take in May. Many of you with older children will have experience of SATs, however these assessments have changed quite considerably in recent years so I would encourage you to come along to the meeting. Please sign up in the school office to confirm your attendance.

PTA Update:

I know all of you have made a big effort to thank Claudia for giving up her half term holiday to transform our playground. It looks incredible and I think the biggest reward was seeing the children beyond excited to be using all the new and frankly amazing equipment! They are loving it! I hope that now you can see what the PTA can achieve you will all be raring to go in the next round of fundraising.