Shelford School News

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Recruitment update

Last week I informed you about members of staff who will sadly be leaving the school over the next academic year. All vacancies are now advertised

There are two **KS2 teacher** vacancies. We also have vacancies for a **Casual Teaching Assistant** (an additional post as the newly appointed Casual TA post is working so well) and a temporary **Teaching Assistant** post which is to support a child 1:1 five mornings per week (8.45am – 12.00).

Please request a pack from the school office if you know anyone you want to encourage to apply for the posts.

I am pleased to let you know that The Foundation Stage teacher vacancy is already filled. Mrs Clarke will increase her hours to work three days a week and Mrs Unwin will join her in a permanent job-share, doing two days per week. This will ensure the excellent practice in the Foundation Stage continues into the future. Congratulations to Mrs Clarke and Mrs Unwin on these appointments.

Class assembly, parent briefing, celebration assembly

The next round of class assemblies, parent briefings and celebration assemblies start this week (all listed in the calendar below), with Year 6 parents being invited to attend this Friday, 19th January, from 1.30pm. The afternoon will start at 1.30pm with the children's presentation in the hall. The focus of the Year 6 parent briefing will be the Grafham residential visit, sex education lessons including sharing the resources that will be used, the new peer mediation strategy and KS2 SATs. We look forward to welcoming you.

Kind regards, Mrs Evans

Please note the date for the instrumentalist concert, shown in red, in the calendar.

Art Day

Preparations have started for our second whole school Art Day which takes place this year on Wednesday February 7th for Reception to Year 5 and on Thursday 8th for Year 6. The theme for the day is pattern and we are busy planning a varied and interesting carousel of activities. Some classes (Years 2-5) will have the opportunity to work with felt artist Heidi Street Ward helping her to create two felt wall hangings which will go in the library. Heidi will be in school all day on both 7th and 8th of February and would be very grateful for offers of help from parents for both days. Please contact the office if you are able to help. Please give in your name to the school office, if you would like to help. Thank you.

Mrs Ashton

Celebration assembly achievements - Friday 12th January 2018

This half term's **Secrets of Success** focus: Improve

Headteacher's Award (4 house points):

- Tomas Bell
- Oliver Simmons
- Jack Dawson

Star Writer (4 house points):

Georgina Fazal

Maths Investigator Award (4 house points):

- Naomi Payne
- May Sillence

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- Annika Sainson
- Abbey Day
- May Sillence

Music:

Violin (Grade 1)

Julia Sargeant

Violin (Grade 2)

Rachel Biers

Golden Mile – 5 Miles (2 house points):

Not awarded this week

Golden Mile- 10 Miles Bronze (4 house points):

- Naomi Sutherland
- Olivia Richmond
- Tom Ranasinghe

Golden Mile-25 Miles Silver (4 house points):

- William Cousins
- Harley Sandford
- Harvey Mee

Golden Mile – 50 Miles Gold (4 house points)

None this week

Celia (10 house points)

• Lucy Christelow & Archie Meikle

Cyril

Kitchen staff

Care of Books (2 house points per class member)

Year 1

Dinner winners (2 house points per class member)

Year 4

Silver bins (2 house points per class member)

- Year 2
- Year 5

This week's house winners:

Stags

Wildlife Garden Helpers

We would be grateful to hear from any green-fingered helpers who are willing to join our wildlife Garden Club under Mrs Hodge's leadership on Friday lunchtimes between 12.00 and 1.00pm. Please give your name to the school office. Thank you so much in advance for filling this important role.

Church School Garden Helpers

We would be grateful to hear from any helpers who are willing to lead our Church School Garden activities on Wednesday lunchtimes between 12.00 and 1.00pm. Please give your name to the school office. Again, thank you for filling this important role.

Limiting illness

The season for coughs, colds and sickness bugs is upon us. Parents/carers are reminded that if your child has experienced vomiting or diarrhoea they must not return to school until 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea. You will appreciate that the school must enforce this rule to limit the spread of germs between children and staff. Please can you also remind your child about practising good hygiene and the importance of thorough hand washing, covering mouths when coughing and sneezing into a tissue which they then put in the bin.

Changes to lunch menu this week

Thursday 18th

Burger & chips Fish fingers

or

Quorn burger & chips

or

Jacket potato

Ice cream factory

(vanilla ice cream with various toppings)

Friday 19th

Fish fingers & potato wedges

or

Veggie burger in a bap

or

Chipolatas under wraps

Chocolate brownie

Yoghurt

Fresh fruit slices, or Cheese & crackers

Netball

Please note change of start date for Netball Club. Netball will start on **Monday 19 February 2018**. There will be tournaments on the following dates and further details will be issued nearer the time.

Tuesday 13 March

Tuesday 20 March

Tuesday 1 May

Triathalon

The club will run on Thursday mornings between 8 and 8.45 am. (Bike helmet, water bottle and running gear (and gloves and lots of layers) all needed each morning. The start date will be Thursday 18th Jan.

Violin Lessons

Next term's lessons will begin on Wednesday 10th January, when fees are due that week.

Guitar Lessons

There are still some spaces for guitar lessons, so if your child is interested, please speak to the office.

Dinner Money

For information regarding school dinner money, please use the following link:

https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/online_payments_for_school_dinners_trips_etc/201 808/cHJldmlld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxMzo1MDowNQ==

Medicines in school

For information regarding medicines in school, please use the following link:

https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/administering_medicines_in_school/216948/cHJldm lld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxNDowMjozMq==

Payment for book bags, recorders etc.

When paying for items available from the office, please **bring the correct money** as the office does not keep any petty cash for change. Prices are as follows:

Book bags £6.00	Recorder books: £4.00
Recorders: £9 or £16	School hats: £2.50

School Uniform prices

ITEM	PRICE	ITEM	PRICE
Cardigans	£10.05	Storm jackets	£17.95
Jumpers	£8.55	Ruck sacks	£10.75
Polo shirts	£6.45	Book bags	£6.00
Fleeces	£11.25		

Any additional teal sweatshirts for Year 6 children are also available to order online.

School Uniform

Uniform is ordered online. Please log on via the link below http://www.brigade.uk.com/direct/index.php?pdPage=login. Items will be sent directly to you at home. There is free delivery to your home with orders over £50. Alternatively, any order amount can be delivered to school for free.

Help and information for parents/carers

Rising Stars - South Cambridgeshire

- Do you live within the South Cambridgeshire area?
- Do you have a child with special educational needs or a disability (diagnosed or undiagnosed)?
- Did you know that we hold a closed Facebook support group for parents?
- It's called: Rising Stars South Cambridgeshire.
- This is a closed group where parents/carers can discuss anything they wish in regards to their children's needs and their families.
- We also run a monthly session on a Saturday morning for families with children aged 0 11 years, the session is advertised within our Facebook Group.
- Weekly input and questions answered (where possible) by a Family Worker.
- This group is intended to improve and enhance parental wellbeing.
- This group is for supporting parents living within South Cambridgeshire.

Link to the group:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/RisingStarsSouthCambs/

Please note we have a duty of care to all children, therefore if something is posted that is deemed a safeguarding concern, we will need to follow our safeguarding procedures.

Pinpoint Conference for parents/carers of children with additional SEN

Pinpoint's annual conference is being held on Thursday 1st February 2018, 9.45-2.15 at Burgess Hall, St Ives, Cambridgeshire.

The conference is free for parents to attend and we have various workshops running during the day as well as stalls offering advice and products

Tickets!

To snap up the last few tickets for the PTA Quiz on Saturday 25th Jan see Charlie Russell or email pta@shelfordschool.org.uk. £10 and supper included. 7.30pm for 8pm start.

Bikes!

To sell a bike at the PTA bike sale on Saturday 17th March email <u>pta@shelfordschool.org.uk</u>. 70% proceeds to seller, 30% to PTA.

Thank you. Short and sweet this week! The PTA team.

School Calendar for 2017 - 2018

Please ensure that all holidays are booked during the holiday periods only. Authorised absence cannot be given for absences on Friday afternoons or Monday mornings unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please put all requests for absences in writing to Mrs Evans and/or make an appointment, via the school office, to speak to her about these. Thank you.

Spring term 2018			
	Time	Event	Notes
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Friday 19 th Jan	1:30pm	Year 6 Class assembly/parent briefing	Please sign in at the
		& Celebration assembly	school office
Friday 26th Jan	1.30pm	Year 5 Class assembly/parent briefing	Please sign in at the
+h		& Celebration assembly	school office
Saturday 27 th Jan	7.00 – 11.30pm	PTA Quiz	
Thursday 1 st Feb	3.45 – 6.45pm	Pupil/Parent/Teacher consultations Year 6	School hall
Friday 2 nd Feb	2:30pm	Candlemas	St Mary's Church
Mon 5 th Feb- Wed 7 th		Year 6 residential trip to Grafham	
Feb		Water	
Monday 5 th Feb	3.45 – 6.45pm	Pupil/Parent/Teacher consultations	School Hall
		Years 1-5	Mrs Paterson (SENDco)
+h			able to attend
Wednesday 7 th Feb	3.45 – 6.45pm	Pupil/Parent/Teacher consultations Years 1-6	School hall
Thursday 8 th Feb	3.45 – 6.45pm	Pupil/Parent/Teacher consultations	School hall
16		Years 1-6	
Friday 9 th Feb	All day event	Teacher training day	School closed
	Half term 1	2 th February to 16 th February 2018	
Wed 21 st Feb to		Year 5 trip residential trip to Burwell	
Friday 23 rd Feb		House	
Friday 23 rd Feb	1:30pm	Year 4 Class assembly/parent briefing	Please sign in at the
		& Celebration assembly	school office
Wed 28 th Feb	9:05-10:15	Volunteer Helper induction	Please book a place with the office
Friday 2 nd March	1:30pm	Year 3 Class assembly/parent	Please sign in at the
		briefing & Celebration assembly	school office
Friday 9 th March	1:30pm	Year 2 Class assembly/parent	Please sign in at the
		briefing & Celebration assembly	school office
Friday 16th March	1:30pm	Year 1 Class assembly/parent	Please sign in at the
Triady 10th March	2.50p	briefing & Celebration assembly	school office
Thursday 22 nd March	7:30pm	Full Governing Body meeting	Think Tank Room
Friday 23 rd March	1:30pm	Year R Class assembly/parent	Please sign in at the
		briefing & Celebration assembly	school office
Tuesday 27 th March	2.00pm	Beginners piano concert	School hall
Wed 28 th March	7.00pm	Instrumentalists concert	School hall
Thursday 29 th March	2:15	Easter Service	All Saints Lt Shelford
Easter Holidays 30 th March to 15 th April 2018			
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Summer term 2018			
Date	Time	Event	Notes
Monday 23 rd April	9:15-10:15	Volunteer Helper induction	Please book a place
			with the office
Monday 7 th May	All Day	Bank Holiday	School closed
Saturday 19 th May		PTA Summer Fair	
Thursday 24 th May	11:15am	Ascension Day service and picnic	
Friday 25 th May	All day	Teaching Training day	School closed
Half term 28 th May to 1 st June			
Friday 8 th June	9:15-10:15	Volunteer Helper induction	Please book a place
			with the office
Thursday 14 th June		Class photos	
Friday 29 th June	8am	French Breakfast event	School hall
Sunday 15 th July		Shelford Feast	
Tuesday 24 th July	All Day	Leavers' service and event	
Summer Holidays 25 th July to 3 rd September			

Autumn Term 2017	Spring Term 2018	Summer Term 2018
Monday 4 th September 2017 to	Wednesday 3 rd January 2018 to	Monday 16 th April 2018 to Tuesday
Tuesday 19 th December 2017 inclusive	Thursday 29 th March 2018 inclusive	24 th July 2018 inclusive
Half term Monday 23 rd October 2017	Half term Monday 12 th February	Half term: Monday 28 th May to Friday
to Friday 27 th October 2017 inclusive	2018 to Friday 16 th February 2018	1 st June 2018 inclusive
	inclusive	

Shelford School Professional Development Days (INSET) on which the school is closed:

- Monday 4th September 2017
 Friday 20th October 2017
 Wednesday 3rd January 2018
 Friday 9th February 2018
 Friday 25th May 2018