

Shelford School News

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Severe Weather

In the event of bad weather which prevents the school from opening, a message will be broadcast on Radio Cambridgeshire as close to 7.00am as possible and an email message sent from the office email to all school contacts. A message will also be left on the school telephone answerphone from around 7.30am and posted on the Homepage of the school website.

School closure will always be a last resort, and will depend on the ability of staff to reach the school and adequate adult to pupil ratios.

Thank you

At last the refurbishment of the junior toilets is completed and they are in use! We were very pleased to achieve a successful bid for funding and then to secure your generous donations to cover the necessary 10% contribution from the school to the total funding. Many thanks for helping us to achieve this - it is much appreciated by all!

Welly stands

The covers for the welly stands (one per class in the playground and Reception/Year 1 play area) are also now completed. This should provide good shade during the summer months so that wellies do not perish. Children will shortly be able to use the meadow at lunchtime, but only if they are wearing wellies. If you would like to send a pair for your child, class teachers will organise for them to be added to the correct welly stand from next week. Thank you.

Twinning letter

Please find this year's twinning letter attached for your interest. The village twinning association runs an annual trip to Verneuil-en-Halatte for people in the village. This is a good opportunity for your child to have the experience of visiting a French family, with you accompanying them. Please note that the twinning association have made essential changes to their policy so that all children will now be accompanied by their parent on this trip.

M Gance

We are pleased to have M Cedric Gance visiting us this week from one of the Verneuil-en-Halatte primary schools as part of the Erasmus project. He has shadowed me in my work as well as visiting each of our class groups. It has been interesting to compare the similarities and differences between our two schools.

Class assembly, parent briefing, celebration assembly

Year 3 parents are invited to attend Year 3's class assembly, parent briefing and celebration assemblies **this Friday, 2nd March, from 1.30pm**. The afternoon will start at 1.30pm with the children's presentation in the hall. The Year 3 parent briefing will follow on, the foci being on conflict resolution/peer mediation, sex education, and an opportunity to ask questions about the HT recruitment process. We look forward to welcoming you.

World Book Day celebrations

Tomorrow is National World Book Day. ***Please send your child dressed as a character from a favourite story book.*** Please get them to also bring the book (with their name written on it) so that they can share it and write about it during the day's activities.

Your child will receive a World Book Day £1 token which can be redeemed against a selection of £1 books which can be purchased in good bookshops. Alternatively, it can be redeemed against the cost of a book at our scholastic book sale which will take place from 3.20 – 4.00pm on the following days in the Think Tank Room:

- Friday 9th March
- Monday 12th March

We very much look forward to welcoming you in all your costumes tomorrow!

Kind regards, Mrs Evans

Fairtrade Fortnight

Flashback! Can you remember the fantastic work we did learning about Fairtrade last term? Did you know that 26th February to 11th March is Fairtrade Fortnight? Look out for things going on in the local area. Is there anything you can do to support Fairtrade? Perhaps you might remind yourself to look for the Fairtrade mark when you next go shopping. Maybe you could do some Fairtrade baking. You might even have some fundraising ideas. If you do choose to get involved in Fairtrade Fortnight, be sure to let Mrs Unwin know how and you might appear on the International display in school! In school, we are looking forward to doing some Fairtrade themed maths investigations.

Mrs Unwin

Netball

Please note that 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

Guitar Lessons

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

Art Club (Thursday and Friday lunchtimes for years 3 – 6)

We currently have spaces available for Art Club. If your child is interested in attending, please give their name to office with payment for £12.50 (cheques payable to D Chittenden).

Celebration assembly achievements - Friday 23rd February 2018

<p>This half term's Secrets of Success focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work hard <p>Headteacher's Award (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imsy Butler-Burd • Rosie Whitworth • Charlotte Will • Augustus Murray • Iza Syposz <p>Star Writer (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emma Russell • Jack Dawson • Hiskia Diamond <p>Maths Investigator Award (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iza Syposz • Augustus Murray • Rosie Whitworth • Charlotte Will <p>Pen Licence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iza Syposz • Henry Haigh • Scarlett Wilkinson <p>Golden Mile – 5 Miles (2 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astrid Mann <p>Golden Mile– 10 Miles Bronze (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humairah Uddin • Maisie Richardson • Charlotte Norman • Ellie Hayes • Emilia Munoz 	<p>Golden Mile– 25 Miles Silver (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jack Dawson • Christopher Graham-Leigh • Augustus Murray • Joshua Mitchell-Jones • Felix Mann • Seren Olney • Mia Rugg-Gunn • Oliver Simmons • Ruby Seabourn • Sebastian Betsworth • Eva Bennett <p>Golden Mile – 50 Miles Gold (4 house points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • William Crump <p>Celia (10 house points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iza Syposz <p>Cyril</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Miss O'Bryan <p>Care of Books (2 house points per class member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not awarded this week <p>Dinner winners (2 house points per class member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1 <p>Silver bins (2 house points per class member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1 • Year 4 <p>This week's house winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Red Squirrels
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Limiting illness in school

For further information, please use the following link:

http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/website/guidance_on_absence_for_common_illnesses/216944

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/201808/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxMzo1MDowNQ==

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/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxNDowMjozMg==

School Uniform

For further information, please use the following link:

<http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/website/uniform/171288>

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
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PTA news



Cake at the Gate: Thank you!

A big THANK YOU to Year 4 for the cake sale last Friday, which raised £91!



****Bike Sale: Saturday 17th March****

Would you like to sell a bike? Please email

james.prisk@ntlworld.com.

Would you like to buy a bike? Please put the date in your diary!

From 0900-1300.

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
Thursday 1 st March	All day	World Book Day	Come to school dressed as your favourite Book Character!
Friday 2 nd March	1:30pm	Year 3 Class assembly/parent briefing & Celebration assembly	Please sign in at the school office
Friday 9 th March	1:30pm	Year 2 Class assembly/parent briefing & Celebration assembly	Please sign in at the school office
Friday 16 th March	1:30pm	Year 1 Class assembly/parent briefing & Celebration assembly	Please sign in at the 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 briefing & Celebration assembly	Please sign in at the 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. Parents are welcome to join us.
Easter Holidays 30 th March to 15 th April 2018			

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	St Mary's Church, Great Shelford. Parents are welcome to join us.
Friday 25 th May	All day	Teaching Training day	School closed
Half term 28 th May to 1 st June			
Friday 8 th June	9:15-10:15am	Volunteer Helper induction	Please book a place with the office
Thursday 14 th June		Class photos	
Friday 29 th June	8.00am	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 Monday 4 th September 2017 to Tuesday 19 th December 2017 inclusive Half term Monday 23 rd October 2017 to Friday 27 th October 2017 inclusive	Spring Term 2018 Wednesday 3 rd January 2018 to Thursday 29 th March 2018 inclusive Half term Monday 12 th February 2018 to Friday 16 th February 2018 inclusive	Summer Term 2018 Monday 16 th April 2018 to Tuesday 24 th July 2018 inclusive Half term: Monday 28 th May to Friday 1 st June 2018 inclusive
Shelford School Professional Development Days (INSET) on which the school is closed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 4th September 2017 Friday 20th October 2017 Wednesday 3rd January 2018 Friday 9th February 2018 Friday 25th May 2018 		