

Shere Church of England Infant School

Roots to grow, wings to fly

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Diary of Events

January

Tuesday 3rd

Alien Landings Curriculum Launch

Thursday 5th

Multi-Skills

Friday 6th

Planet Soccer

Monday 9th

School Register Check

Wednesday 11th

Dental Screening Checks

Monday 16th by 12 noon.

Parent Governor Nominations Deadline

Tuesday 17th

Starry Night Workshops with Mrs Voller

Friday 27th

Chinese New Year Activities

Monday 30th

Y2 Science Trip

National Storytelling Week

February

Thursday 2nd

Y2 Spectrum Visit

Friday 3rd

PJs to School Day

Friday 10th

Moon Party

Monday 13th

Half Term

Tuesday 28th

School Photos

Shrove Tuesday

Dear Families,

Welcome back and a happy new year to one and all. We have certainly started the new term in style with some major changes on the playground. No, not the fences but the arrival of a rocket from space on the trim trail! We held an emergency assembly on Tuesday to discuss what could have happened, the children had some very interesting ideas and have had a great time investigating this week.

Robin Class have been writing reports about the rocket and have had a lovely time making flying saucers. In maths they have been learning all about repeating patterns.

Wren Class have made some scrumptious alien jellies and have enjoyed alien art lessons. In maths they have been learning to tell the time, this has proved a tricky concept so any help at home would be much appreciated.

Our very grown up Owls have been learning all about fractions, we have been so impressed at their determination in facing this challenge. They have enjoyed reading Aliens Love Underpants and have designed and described some weird and wonderful alien pants of their own.

School Closure and Coats!

We make every effort to ensure that the school is open every day, however there may be occasions when the school has to close in the interest of staff and pupil safety, for example boiler breakdown or bad weather.

We will use parentmail to alert you to any school closure, so please ensure we have your up to date email and mobile numbers. The school website will be updated and local radio stations will be alerted.

As it is currently very cold please ensure that your child has a warm winter coat and gloves with them in school. These should be clearly named – thank you.

Sadly one of our little Robins has lost his coat. Caleb wore the wrong coat home and returned it to school straight away. However we have not been able to locate Caleb's coat so would ask that everyone checks at home to see if it has ended up with you.

Reading:

Shere School is incredibly lucky in the amount of volunteer helpers that give up their time to support our young learners. Many of our volunteers are members of the community and parents. We still need more helpers and even a small amount of time can make a huge difference. Please send me an email if you could offer some time, it doesn't need to be in your own child's class.

March

Monday 13th
Holi Activities

Tuesday 21st
Art Workshops with Mrs Voller

Thursday 23rd
Robin Class - Height and Weight Check.

Friday 24th
Last Planet Soccer

Tuesday 28th
Whole School Trip to Winchester Science Centre

Friday 30th
Last Day of Term.

Shere School Celebrates

Stars of the Week
Sebastian, Macie and Florence.

Citizen of the week
Caleb, Joseph Ross and Lara.

Robin Class are particularly short of help this year.

Whilst on the topic of reading we have recently scanned reading records to assess the amount of reading children are doing at home. There is a clear correlation between the amount of home reads and better progress. It was pleasing to note the high number of families that place great value on home reading and regularly listen to their children. I appreciate that life can be hectic; however ten minutes each day will make a huge difference to your child's progress. If you need support with this do not hesitate to email me or speak to a member of staff.

Dental Checks:

Shere has been chosen as a pilot school for the new dental hygiene checks. This will take place next week and involves a small sample of children from each class. If your child has been chosen you will have received a letter notifying you of their involvement in this initiative.

Parent Elections:

You have now received the details about the forthcoming parent governor elections and have until 16th January to nominate should you be interested. If you wish to discuss what is involved please come and have a chat.

Have a lovely weekend,

Best Wishes

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