

Shere Church of England Infant School

Roots to grow, wings to fly

Friday 24th February 2017

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Diary of Events

February

Tuesday 28th
School Photos
Shrove Tuesday

March

Thursday 2nd March
Year 1 Spectrum Sports

Monday 13th
Holi Activities

Tuesday 21st
Art Workshops with Mrs Voller

Thursday 23rd
Year R Spectrum Sports

Friday 24th
Year R Height and Weight Check
LAST PLANET SOCCER

Sunday 26th
Mother's Day Service in Church

Monday 27th March
Shere and Peaslake Concert for Year One families.

6.30pm
Shere Village Hall
LAST TAG RUGBY

Tuesday 28th
Whole School Trip to Winchester Science Centre

Thursday 30th March
LAST MULTI-SKILLS

Friday 30th
Last Day of Term.
1.30 finish

Dear Families,

As I write to you the sun is shining, we have just celebrated our stars and citizens of the week and the children have skipped out to play – it is a lovely day in school.

This Friday brings to an end an eventful and exciting week with lots of developments on the horizon for our little community; it has been lovely to feel the support of the parent body as we plan the future of the school.

Nursery Developments:

At a meeting on Tuesday evening, members of the nursery unanimously voted to embark on closure. The school is obviously sad that the nursery feels the current model is not sustainable; however we fully understand the decision and commend all those on the committee who are so dedicated to securing future provision in the village.

The Governors of the school have previously agreed that should a need for nursery provision in Shere present itself the school would act to offer this provision. This is not an easy process and will take a tremendous amount of work. However I do feel passionately that a school established 175 years ago to serve all children in the village should do its utmost to honour this tradition.

We really need your help in this matter. In order to establish the right provision we need to meet the needs of families in the community. We have set up a survey on the school website and would encourage anyone with nursery aged or younger children to complete it. Please spread the word amongst friends and families, to date we only have two responses and it will be hard to establish sessions and times without an understanding of what people need.

School Website - www.shere.surrey.sch.uk

World Book Day:

World Book Day is next Thursday 2nd March. The children have enjoyed lots of dressing up this term so we are taking a slightly different approach this year. The kitchen are supplying a special lunch and we will celebrate by reading our favourite books. A collective sign of relief from you all I'm sure.

Teacher Training:

We have really enjoyed welcoming trainee teachers to Shere this year and feel that it brings many benefits to our children and staff. As well as being an extra pair of hands in the classroom trainees bring with them a wealth of ideas and methods, we feel we learn as much from them as they do from us.

This term we welcome Caroline Hughes who is joining us in Year 2 and settling in brilliantly.

Happiness:

Our values this half term is happiness. We have already started talking about this in assembly. This week we considered where we feel most happy. There were some lovely responses from the children.

George in Year Two feels most happy at work with his Mum. He loves the horses and says they all have different faces and personalities.

Other responses included staying with Granparents, holidays, outside with nature and Peppa Pig World.

Shere School Celebrates

Stars of the Week

**Heidi – Robin Class
Joe – Wren Class
Jobe – Owl Class**

Citizen of the week

**Stanley – Robin Class
Oscar – Wren Class
Lara – Owl Class**

Spectrum Sports Events:

Year One and Reception will be attending the Spectrum athletic events this term. The children spend the morning at the Spectrum taking part in a range of team games designed to enhance athletic skills. The children return to school for a slightly late lunch.

Parent Consultation Evenings:

Thank you for your valuable feedback regarding parent consultaion evenings, these seem to have been well received and teachers were certainly pleased with the attendance and quality of discussion with parents.

A frequent discussion seems to have been around reading. Whilst we appreciate that you all have busy lives a regular opportunity to read at home will make the biggest difference to your child's progress and confidence at school.

As always your feedback and queries can be directed to me at head@shere.surrey.sch.uk

Have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

**Vicky Voller
Headteacher**