

# 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 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

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## September:

19<sup>th</sup>

Canon Nick Assembly  
For Year 1&2 children

26<sup>th</sup>

Canon Nick Assembly  
For Year 1& 2 children

KS1 Curriculum Evening  
For families of Y1&2  
6.00 – 7.30pm

## October:

3<sup>rd</sup>

Canon Nick Assembly  
For Year 1&2 children

4<sup>th</sup>

Governor Parent Forum  
7.00 – 8.30

9<sup>th</sup>

Emma Dodd Author Visit

17<sup>th</sup>

Canon Nick Assembly  
For Year 1&2 children

Foundation Unit Parent  
Consultations  
3.30 – 5.00pm

18<sup>th</sup>

Foundation Unit Parent  
Consultations  
4.30 – 6.30pm

KS1 Parent Consultations  
4.30 – 6.30pm

19<sup>th</sup>

Individual School Photos

KS1 Parent Consultations  
3.30 – 5.30pm

## Dear Families,

A warm welcome back to the school year at Shere Infant School and Fox Cubs Nursery ☺. It has been lovely to see so many familiar faces and to welcome so many new families. We are so proud of all that has been achieved this summer, it has been incredibly hard work but well worth all the extra hours. Thank you to governors, staff and many families who have helped this dream become a reality.

The school has swung into action and there is a lovely feeling of community. Many of you have mentioned how great it is to see the playground bustling with activity and I can only agree; a busy and happy school to be enjoyed by everyone.

I would like to welcome our new staff who have joined us in the nursery, they are Mrs Alison Lagar, Mrs Angela Brimicombe and Miss Georgia Sewrey. We are pleased with these appointments and at how quickly they have settled into life at Shere. The ladies have a lot of new names and faces to get used to but please do have a chat with them on the playground if you get the opportunity.

## Summer Building:

As mentioned, the school has been very busy this summer with the main build finally coming to an end last weekend. The upstairs classroom, now the home of our lovely Owl class, is beautiful; a great learning space has been created and we are happy with the light filled room. There are few bits for the builders to complete; the stairs are still to be carpeted, toilets completed and the hall floor will be sanded and waxed. Owls seem to be settling in well and both class teachers have great plans for making it a home from home.

Downstairs the hall is taking a bit of getting used to, as someone who has seen it in various stages during the works; I am used to it and see the many advantages it will bring. We were forced to lose a small portion of the hall as a result of new fire regulations enforced during the build; this required a protected corridor to be built from the stairs to the exit door. Obviously safety is our priority and this additional precaution provided the safest option in our old buildings.

If you haven't had a chance to view the building then please just ask and we will happily show you around. There will be an opportunity for a good look at our KS1 Curriculum evening at the end of the month. A grand opening is planned later in the term when the snagging is complete.

## Important Notices:

**Shere Infant School and Fox Cubs Nursery are nut free zones.** We have a number of children with a range of allergies, including severe allergic reactions to nuts. With this in mind please do not send any products containing nuts into school, this includes in lunch boxes, snacks or skin care products. We would ask that you are also mindful of the products your child uses at home, some oils, creams and lotions remain on the skin and hair for some time.

We do check lunchboxes for products containing nuts, if discovered your child will not be permitted to eat this food and it will be disposed of. Many thanks for your help.

Wb 23<sup>rd</sup>

Half Term

30<sup>th</sup>

Back to School

**Photographic Permissions:** if you have previously filled in a photographic permission form for your child please remember that it is your responsibility to inform us of any changes. If you would like to see your form please ask the School Office and make any amendments.

**Gates:** please note that the gates to School House (double gates onto the pavement) will now be closed during morning, lunch and afternoon pick up. Please use the single pedestrian gate marked Main Entrance when you enter and leave the premises.

**Office opening hours:** please be aware of the following office opening hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8.30 – 3.00

Tuesday & Thursday: 8.30 – 3.30

If you need to see the ladies in the office on a Monday, Wednesday or Friday then please pop along in the morning or **before** pick up.

**Sporting Provision:** We made some big changes to our sports provision last year and are keen to promote physical activity and a healthy lifestyle for all our children. You may remember that the school had decided to improve provision further by booking the village hall for PE sessions this year. Even before the changes to the school hall it did not provide enough space for the different sports and activities we wanted to introduce. The village hall is now being used on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon with permission for the playing fields committee to use the large green space behind the hall in good weather. This will make a big difference to the range of sporting opportunities we are able to offer. Whilst on this subject I would like to welcome Mr Webb who is our sports coach this year, he has already delivered a fantastic session on Wednesday, with great subject knowledge and a lovely rapport with the children.

#### **Governor Parent Forum:**

We will be holding our annual governor parent forum on 4<sup>th</sup> October from 7.00 – 8.30pm. This is an opportunity to hear what the Board of Governors have achieved in the last year and to have your say in the strategic direction of the school in the years to come. The addition of the nursery has safeguarded the school for future generations, but in an increasingly uncertain educational landscape big decisions remain on the horizon. The governors would like to see as many of you as possible at the meeting so please do all you can to attend.