

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 26th January 2018

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WB Monday 29th

Knights Theme Continues

29th

Year 2 Glebelands
Science Challenge

30th

Main School Joust (in the
afternoon)

February 1st

Year 2 Spectrum Sports
Festival

5th

Tudors Theme

6th

Reverend Rosemary
Assembly

9th

Main School trip to
Hampton Court Palace

12th

Half Term

19th

INSET Day

20th

Back to School
Tudors Theme
Sarah Hutton Assembly

Parent Consultations
4.30 – 6.30pm

21st

Parent Consultations
3.10 – 5.00pm

WB Monday 26th

Tudors Theme

27th

Class Photos
Reverend Mike Assembly

Dear Families,

There was great excitement at playtime this morning as the children noticed all the marks that the playground company have made in preparation for our refurbishment over half term. The children can't wait to see the outcome of all the planning and fundraising and the staff are equally looking forward to using the new facilities with their classes.

I am having a wonderful time teaching Year 2, we are planning lots of exciting activities and it is lovely to get back into the classroom on a regular basis. Ms Bailey is not very well at the moment so my part-time teaching role is a little more full time until half term when we hope very much that she will be better.

Next week we will continue our two week unit on Knights and on Tuesday we will be holding our school joust with bikes for horses and our own resident dragon to cheer us on. This type of learning leads to the best spoken and written outcomes for our children as real experiences can't be beaten to provide ideas and boost creativity. One of my favourite quotes says that writing floats on a sea of talk and this is certainly true at Shere.

School Communication:

Thank you all for your quick response to our closure last week and for your understanding. A school without water is obviously not an option and once Thames Water confirmed that there was an ongoing issue and no time frame could be given as to when the water was to come back on we were forced to close.

We have reviewed our systems as a result of this closure and would ask that parents help us by:

Ensuring the school office has the most **up-to-date phone numbers**; we were unable to get hold of quite a number of parents because numbers had changed and the office had not been informed.

Downloading the Parentmail App. It is far easier and more cost effective for us to send an email rather than texting you. If you have the parentmail app you will receive a notification on your screen immediately a message is sent. I understand that notifications can be annoying however it will help you stay fully informed. **If you have concerns regarding this please speak to me directly.**

Hampton Court Trip:

We are off on one of our favourite school trips on 9th February. This links with our castles theme which spans half term, running the week before and the week we return to school. If you are stuck for something to do over the holiday then there are plenty of other castles to visit, Bodiam, Arundel and Hever are amazing days out and will certainly extend your child's learning in this area. Additionally Guildford is good for a quick drop in and the museum is very close by too.

March

1st

Year One Spectrum
Sports

WB Monday 5th

Castles Theme

6th

Reverend Rosemary

WB Monday 12th

Castles Theme

13th

Canon Nick Assembly

WB Monday 19th

Princesses with Attitude

20th

Reverend Rosemary
Assembly

26th

Princesses with Attitude
Theme

22nd

Year R Spectrum Sports

29th

Church 9.30
End of term @1.30

Parent Consultations:

These vital meetings are coming up after half term. Parents value these as the opportunity to have a more formalised discussion about their child's attainment and targets for future progress. Shere School and Fox Cubs Nursery have an open door policy and we would always ask that if you have a concern or anything to share that you talk to us at any time.

Rob's Marathon Mission:

Following the huge success of Field Fest you would think that the Arrow Family could take a break from fundraising for a while. However Rob really is dedicated to our school and has decided to take on a marathon in aid of the school. He has this to say:

Hi Everyone,

On Sunday 18th February, I am running the Hampton Court Half Marathon in aid of the school.

This is the first time I've ever done any sort of long distance running and, as some of you may be aware, this isn't my usual pastime! However, I am really enjoying training and zooming around the villages.

If you'd like to sponsor me, there is a form in reception at school or online at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rob-arrow

Thanks!
Rob Arrow

We wish Rob all the very best of luck, we are so honoured that he has taken on this challenge for Shere School.

Forest School:

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who come along week in week out to help with Forest School. Many of you comment on how much you have enjoyed the experience and end up coming time and again. If you are able to help with a Forest School session then please speak to your child's class teacher.

Finally, the staff are working extremely hard to provide inspirational teaching and learning experiences for your children. Should you have any questions or concerns about all we are doing then please to come and chat to one of the team.

Kind Regards

Victoria Voller, Headteacher

PTA Update, from Claudia:

Thank you to everyone who has passed on so many positive comments to me about the playground redevelopment. We are all set for February half term where phase one will take place. We will have a few small additions to make after the half term but the majority of it will be complete when the children return on Tuesday 20 February after inset day.

Our next PTA event has now been confirmed! A massive thanks to Helen and Warwick Ross who are returning through sheer bullying by us, to host one last Quiz Night on Friday 16 March at Shere Village Hall! The event is always really popular and will, I am sure, sell out so get your tickets now! If you have not been to it before then it is a really fun night and as you can imagine gets quite competitive! The questions are varied across all different topics and we have no idea what Warwick has up his sleeve this year. Tickets and further information are now available to buy online from www.tickettailor.com/events/shereschoolpta. It promises to be a lot of fun, look out for flyers that will be in book bags soon!