

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 6th July 2018

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Summer Term

July

7th

Our Summer Fair
@11.00am

12th

Sports Day @9.30
(All) Approximate finish
11.00am

13th

RNLI Assembly

17th

Nursery Seaside Trip
Y2 Leavers Service 6pm

19th

Main School Littlehampton
Trip

21st

Holmbury Flower Show

23rd

Church at 9.30 – all
welcome.
End of Term

Stars of the Week:

All of Hedgehogs
and Fox Class
Ethan Gould

Citizens of the Week:

Austyn Bowen-
Perkins
Harry Mortimer
Joel Girdler-
Blount

Dear Families,

What a lovely couple of weeks we have had with so much to celebrate. Yesterday's Grandparents Day was lovely and a great success both in Fox Cubs and the main school. Grandparents, neighbours, family friends, uncles and aunts and school grandparents had a wonderful time playing, being entertained, eating cake and drinking tea! It was hard to know who was more proud of the other as both children and visitors were equally excited! Our thanks to Mrs Webb and Mrs Lagar for leading on these celebrations.

Shere Open Gardens and the Holmbury Midsummer Party were a great success! Thank you, thank you, thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends of the school who worked so hard. We are yet to find out how much we raised but will let you know as soon as we do! Most importantly the school was well represented at a lovely village event.

I am hoping that you have received information about the nursery and main school seaside trips; all the children are looking forward to a fun day out to celebrate our Blue Planet topic. Below are some key dates and information for the rest of the term.

Hot Weather:

Well the prediction for hot weather was a bit of an understatement! Please be assured that we are all working hard to keep the children happy and healthy in the heat. Our old buildings have amazingly thick walls that mean the classrooms remain cool. Year Two have just had a new air conditioning unit fitted which has made all the difference to this upstairs room which is now very pleasant all day! We would ask that you continue to send children to school and nursery with sun cream already applied, a hat and plenty of water. We have been refilling bottles throughout the day and encouraging the children to drink plenty. There is no maximum temperature at which a school closes; the children would be as hot as home as they are at school. However if we feel a child is suffering because of the heat we will of course give you a call.

7th July - Summer Fair:

Last minute details are being finalised, games are being made, burgers and sausages are ready to go and we are stock piling PIMS! Its time for our annual Summer Fair which is always a blast! If you haven't been before you are in for a treat! Make sure to come along to the fair of the year on Saturday from 11.00. The fair will be on the playing fields behind the village hall. Once again thank you to Claudia and the many parents who are manning stalls and helping with all the organisation.

12th July – Sports Day:

The children have been very busy practising and preparing for Sports Day next week. Please arrive at 9.30 on the playing fields behind the village hall. We are joined by our lovely Fox Cubs and as such have a few housekeeping requests. The children will sit on one side of the track and we would like parents to sit on the other side. If avoid crossing over the track this would be really helpful. We are not trying to ruin anyone's fun but when adults and children mingle it is impossible to keep tabs on all the children. At the end of the event the children will be taken back to school, please don't take your child from the line at this point as once again we need to know where all the children are at all times. We are looking forward to lots of fun and teamwork so please be ready to join in with the cheering and clapping!

17th July – Leavers Celebration:

We will be saying goodbye to our wonderful Owl Class on 17th July. Owl families should come to the school hall or Y1 garden (depending on the weather), for light refreshments, entertainment and prize giving. Bring your tissues as this could get emotional! The dress code is 'Party Time' and well behaved siblings are of course welcome.

23rd July - End of Term & Church:

The last day of term is Monday 23rd July and school will finish at 1.30. You are warmly invited to join us at St James Church at 9.30am for our service to celebrate the school year and wish our leavers the very best in their new adventures. This service will also be our last chance to say goodbye to our Rector – Nick, who leaves in September. It has been such a privilege to work with Nick during my time at Shere and I hope you will want to join us as we say thank you and wish him well.

PTA Update - Open Gardens Record!

I am thrilled to be able to report that all sorts of records were smashed at the recent Open Gardens and we were very much part of them. The tea and delicious cakes raised a staggering £1,475 and I have to say a massive thanks to Claudine and Zoe and the team of parents for being so fantastic in serving the public! Not only that but the Open Gardens committee have also agreed to donate an extra £1,225 to the school making us the biggest beneficiary of the whole event. Our teas were also voted 'Best Catering' facility even beating the Pimm's tent! To raise £2,700 at a community event is a huge joint effort between the PTA and the Governors who wave our flag at these type of local events and that amount of money raised for a small local school is fantastic. All around the country small schools are struggling to make ends meet and if we continue to raise money in this way then ALL of the children at our school or nursery will benefit hugely.

Moving on to this weekend and we have our Summer Fair up on Shere Recreation ground between 11am-3pm. Again this event only is possible with the parents who volunteer to run stalls, games, refreshments etc and I want to thank everyone for their support. The sun will be out and we look forward to seeing you all there for some summer fun, a perfect way to send off our Year Two children on to their next adventures.

We will squeeze one more PTA update in before the end of term where I will announce the final monies raised this year and what we are planning to spend them on, plus a few plans for next year!

Claudia Brightman, PTA Chair

Thank you for all your support in the busy run up to the end of term, we know its manic but its all for the children's benefit and they do have a wonderful time!

Best Wishes

Vicky Voller
Headteacher