



# Newsletter

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Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## Shipleigh CE Primary School

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE FIGURES w/e 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018  
SYCAMORES =100% ASH =99% OAKS =98%, WILLOWS = 100/100%

[www.shipleighprimary.com](http://www.shipleighprimary.com)

### Dates for your Diary

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

FOSS AGM at 08.50am

Bags of Support collected

Jeans for Genes Day

Flu Immunisation for Reception to Year 5

Harvest Service at Church at 10.30am

Book Fair week - details to follow

Open Morning - September 2019 09.30-10.30am

Parents Evening

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FOSS Disco

Half term week

Inset Day

Sycamores Class Assembly at 08.50am

Open Morning - September 2019 09.30-10.30am

Ash Class Assembly at 08.50am

Oaks Class Assembly at 08.50am

Willows Class Assembly at 08.50am

Christmas performance at 2.00pm

Christmas performances at 6.00pm

FOSS Winter Fayre 3.15-5.00pm

Christingle Service at Church at 2pm

Panto for Years 2 to 6

Party at School for Reception and Year 1

Last day of term

### Attendance

It's early days but we have had very good attendance this term (see figures above) and it has been a fantastic start to the term. Well done to all the children.

A reminder to parents that holidays in term time are not authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances, eg. bereavement, funeral, religious reasons. Unauthorised absences of five days or more may incur a fine of £60 per parent, per child. This is imposed by West Sussex County Council, not the school.

The minimum average attendance expected is 95%. Children who are below 90% are categorised by the government as persistent absentees. Careful tracking of these pupils is carried out, particularly if their attendance has been below 90% in previous years.

We are here to support families with good attendance at school and hope that the new medicines policy will help children with colds and minor complaints as we will be able to administer non-prescription medicines at school. Information to follow next week.

### **Parent questionnaire results**

Many thanks to all the families who returned their questionnaire. We had almost 70% return, an improvement on last year. These are the headlines:

*My child is taught well at Shipley, My child makes good progress at this school*

100% of parents agree or strongly agree

*My child is happy at this school, My child feels safe at this school, My child is well looked after at this school*

100% of parents agree or strongly agree

*The school is well led and managed, I know who the School governors are*

100% of parents agree or strongly agree

*The school is a welcoming place, There is a strong sense of community, there is a good selection of after school clubs*

100% of parents agree or strongly agree

Suggestions for what could be better were incredibly helpful and ranged from 'nothing, we like it just how it is' to good ideas about improvements to premises, communication, home learning and being a greener school. All of these feed into the School Improvement plan for 2018-19

### **Car Parking & One Way System**

Please follow the one way system we set up a couple of years ago of coming to school via Red Lane and to leave school via School Lane. With the number of cars coming to school, we have found that this is the only way that works. Please do not drop children off on the roadside or park on the right hand side as this is dangerous and there are double yellow lines. It is also really important that you do not park in front of the school - this is a drop off zone only. Courtesy to all other road users helps to keep our children safe and our community happy.

### **Easylunch 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday Lunch**

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October Easylunch will be celebrating 10 years of cooking and delivering hot school meals. Please find attached details of the lunch for that day and how to order on line.

### **Clubs**

Clubs have started. If your child is doing basketball on a Monday and/or multi sports on a Thursday, please pay direct on line at [www.purelysport-coaching.com](http://www.purelysport-coaching.com)

### **Jeans for Genes Day**

Next Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September is Jeans for Genes day. The children may wear their Jeans and make a donation on the gate to the charity. The rest of their clothes are normal school uniform.

## Roald Dahl Day - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Yesterday was Roald Dahl day and the children spent time reading his fantastic books. Please look at the website for more information <https://www.roalddahl.com/roald-dahl-day> Ash spent the day writing stories based on 'The Magic Finger' and took part in a Roald Dahl online quiz.



### Reading Rewards

Thank you for supporting your children with their reading. The following children have their certificate and bookmarks:

**Ruby:** Ash - Joseph A, Emma, Penelope, Oliver V

### GOLDEN BOOK



### WILLOWS

EMILY & NOAH - for great helping and tidying.

### OAKS

JONAH - for fantastic maths.

TESS - for always doing the right thing.

### ASH

VALENTINO - for fantastic behaviour all week.

LILY M - for working hard and always having a smile on her face.

### SYCAMORES

CHARLIE - for answering lots of questions.

ESTHER - for wonderful word choice in her descriptive writing.

### GOLDEN TICKET WINNER

All the golden tickets are put into a weekly draw. Last week's lucky winner was Tess and this week was Sonny.

*Kind regards*

*Mrs Jen Harvey & Mrs Karen Stocker*