



Newsletter



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Friday 19th July 2019

Shipleigh CE Primary School

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE FIGURES w/e 19th July 2019
SYCAMORES =99% ASH =94% OAKS =88%, WILLOWS =97%

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Dates for your Diary

Monday 22nd July at 11.30am

Tuesday 23rd July

Tuesday 3rd September

Friday 20th September

Friday 27th September

Friday 27th September

Tuesday 8th October

Leavers Assembly followed by picnic

Inset day

Return to School

Jeans for Genes Day

Ash/Sycamores - Billionaire Boy at the Capitol

Friendship Friday after school

School Photos

Message from the Head

As we reach the end of the academic year, we can reflect on what an action-packed year of learning it has been. There have been some exciting topics, trips and events. On behalf of the team, I would like to thank parents for all your support with all of these. It means the children can have memorable experiences and lots of fun learning. Here are just some of this year's highlights:

- The recycled garden project
- The clearing of the old trim trail and the installation of the new adventure trail
- The legacy fence and Ash garden (thanks to FOSS and the Billingshurst Lions)
- Tri-golf team in the school games final - well done!
- Community events - Horsham Parade, Dance Festival, Music Festival, Village Day
- The Daily Mile and our PE Gold Award
- Ofsted 'Good' in all areas
- 100% in Y6 Reading and Grammar and above national average in Reading, Writing and Maths combined - well done Year 6!

Still to come - we look forward to:

- More exciting learning with our Shipleigh and Beyond topic (Victorian Shipleigh)
- Strengthening our links with Knepp, including the Stork project
- Replacement doors across the school, a redecoration programme, replacement flooring in Oaks toilets
- New children and parents joining us in September

Reports and Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to everyone who has returned the parent comment slips and questionnaires. There are still some outstanding forms. Please return them to school before the end of term.

Arrangements for Monday 22nd July

Monday is the last day of term. The arrangements for the day are as follows:

11.30am - Leavers Service for Year 6 and Mrs Merry - parents can join us for this event

Noon - Parents can come along with a picnic (children will still be having school lunches but they can bring their lunch outside). There will be an ice-cream van visiting organised by Mrs Merry.

After the picnic, children will be registered at 1pm and then you are welcome to take them home.

The school is still open until 3.05pm for children who are staying.

Sycamore Class performed 'Animal Rumble Grumble: An African Tale' to children and parents

This colourful, atmospheric show takes inspiration from a traditional Kenyan folktale. The animals of the plain are fearful of a strange distant rumbling. "Something terrible is coming this way! It will destroy us and take over our plains." The animals quickly seek the advice of Ghubari, a wise old man who lives at the top of the umbrella thorn tree. But his wise and cryptic words confuse them, so the animals find enough courage to seek out and confront the terrible danger that is coming closer.

The evening was an absolute delight, filled with enthusiastic singing, bright and colourful costumes and marvellous acting from all involved. We were delighted with the children's enthusiasm, hard-work and excellent behaviour - a huge well-done to them! We would like to thank everyone involved with a special mention to Mrs Toe, Mrs Farmer & Ms Coutts who helped with the beautiful face-painting. Also, many thanks to Mrs Lubrano and Mrs Dodd who provided us with some superb African drums.



Garden Competition

We are thrilled to tell you that Shipley came third in the Billingshurst Lions Recycled Garden competition. The judges came last week to see our garden. They were most impressed with all the different ways we had used recycling.



The children made egg and cress sandwiches from cress they grew in the garden and eggs laid by the chickens. Another thing that impressed the judges was the way the children were able to tell them about what they had done and learnt from creating the garden.

Mrs Simpson also created a book that tells the story of the garden and includes work that Oaks have done in their science lessons. A great big thank you to Mrs Simpson, Mrs Wrate, Mrs

Butler, Gardening Club and Oaks for all of their hard work. An amazing achievement everybody, well done.

Windmills After Care Provision

The Windmills After School club has been running this term offering child care and activities at school from 3.05 until 5pm. Last week we ran a survey to look at what parents want in the Autumn term. From the responses we are going to run the club after school on a Tuesday and Wednesday as long as it is financially viable and covers the staffing costs.

New School kitchen for class lessons



Thank you to FOSS, Mr Tilley and Mr Preston - without you this wouldn't have happened. Here is our fantastic new kitchen, almost ready for use by the children.

Music concert



Thank you to the musicians from West Sussex Music Service who joined us for a fantastic demonstration and performance of brass, woodwind and string instruments. They played some pieces we all recognised, including music from Holst and Vivaldi.

After School Clubs

We return to school on Tuesday 3rd September. The club form will go out early that week and clubs will start on Monday 9th September.

George Dodd (Mrs Dodd's son) - Saxophonist



Available for all occasions providing easy listening jazz standards and covers perfect for adding to the atmosphere at your event. I provide all of my own kit and am also covered by public liability insurance (certificate available on request). If you're interested in having me at your event and would like to know more, please contact me via email or on my Facebook page

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George Dodd Music

Saxophonist / Sound Engineer / Songwriter

Sunday 21st July, 7.30pm, St. Mary's Church, The Street, Rusper

Come to a free concert of English traditional songs, some collected by the renowned folk song collector, Lucy Broadwood, and some written by the celebrated writer, poet, and commentator, Hilaire Belloc. Both these towering figures of Edwardian England lived in Sussex. The evening will introduce you to some memorable melodies and harmonies, sung by a choir of Sussex singers who have been practicing for nearly a year. There will also be readings from both Belloc and Broadwood. Refreshments will be available and there will be a retiring collection for a local charity. If some children wanted to join us in singing Oats, and Beans, and Barley, we are having a practice in the church at 5.30pm, but just joining us at 7,30pm would also be fine.

Reading Rewards

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

Amethyst: Ash - Florence

Wormery: Ash - Lily W



GOLDEN BOOK

WILLOWS

All of WILLOWS - for a fantastic picnic day at Mrs West's garden yesterday.

OAKS

CLARA - for great reading.

WILL - for a super-sensible attitude.

ASH

ARRON - for always being enthusiastic about everything we do at school and just being wonderful all round.

FLORENCE - for always being a ray of sunshine in Ash class. She will be really missed.

SYCAMORES

Wonderful performance from SYCAMORES Class - wow!

GOLDEN TICKET WINNER

All the golden tickets are put into a weekly draw. This week's winner is Honey.

And finally we must say

Goodbye

to Reverend Pat Sinton and Sue Merry who are retiring this year and looking forward to taking well-earned holidays (in term time!), Florence, Ella and Isla who are moving on to different schools - we wish you all the best!

Kind regards

Mrs Jen Harvey & Mrs Karen Stocker