

No. 1 – Friday 9th September 2022



Newsletter

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Autumn Term

Half Term – Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

Inset Day – Monday 31st October

It is with great sadness that we heard of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II yesterday. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family. The children will be supported in school to understand the significance of this event in history, along with dealing with the sense of loss that some children may feel. Our approach will be one of a respectful celebration of her life. We will keep you up to date with any announcements regarding significant dates but, in the meantime, we remain open and functioning as normal.

Welcome

Welcome to the new Reception children who joined us this week in Willows class. They have made an incredible start and the teachers are full of praise for the way they have settled.

Welcome also to Lynsey Barker who joins us in Oaks class teaching Years 1 and 2. Lynsey studied at the University of Brighton and has a wealth of experience with children and in schools. Any parents of children in Oaks who would like to meet her informally and introduce themselves are invited to pop in to Oaks class on **Tuesday 13th September** from **2.45pm**.

New to Shipleys

We are loving the newly refurbished toilet blocks in both Oaks and Sycamores. Please feel free to come and have a look!

School guinea pigs – thanks to FOSS we have three beautiful guinea pigs living in Oaks garden. They are having a quiet settling in period and then children will be invited to supervised handling sessions, learning about how to care for them. We are not aware of any allergies among the children but please let us know if, for whatever reason, you DO NOT want your child to handle the guinea pigs.



Termly value

Our core value is Respect and our termly value this term is Perseverance. Children will be exploring how we deal with challenges personally and how we support and encourage others to persevere. There are many biblical examples of perseverance that Rev Chris will be sharing with the children.

‘Do to others as you would have them do to you’ Phillipians 4.13

Learning an instrument

We are keen to encourage pupils to learn a musical instrument. We have a number of children interested in drumming and are seeking opportunities for them to develop drumming skills. If any other children have a musical interest, let us know and we will endeavour to link you with a music teacher.

Diary dates

Please find attached the dates for this term and beyond - paper copies are available from Jill or Sally in the school office. There will be other events and trips that will occur during the term. Rest assured, we are making every effort to keep costs down for our families.



GOLDEN BOOK

When a child does something amazing, we like to celebrate the event in Friday's assembly.

- WILLOWS** - All the Reception for a fantastic start to Shipley
- OAKS** - Everyone in Oaks class for being a fabulous team and having a great start to the term
- ASH** - All of Ash class for wonderful listening and a great attitude to learning. A great start to the year
- SYCAMORES** - All of Sycamores Class for w wonderful start to the term

Kind regards

Mrs Jen Harvey and Mrs Jill Phillips