



Newsletter

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Key Dates for Summer Term 2023

Half Term – Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

Shipley Village Day – Monday 29th May

FOSS – Shipley Soapbox Derby – Saturday 3rd June

Year 3/4 County Dancing Festival at Shelley School, Broadbridge Heath - Tuesday 13th June 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Sports Day at Shipley – Wednesday 14th June – 9:15 – 10:30 am

The Weald Transition Day – Tuesday 27th June

Willows Class Assembly – Wednesday 28th June at 09:00

Oaks Class Assembly – Wednesday 5th July at 09:00

Year 6 Leavers Service – Christ's Hospital – Thursday 6th July at 10:45

Inset Day – Friday 7th July

Outdoor Performance of Plastic Pirates by Ash & Sycamores – Tuesday 11th July at 6:00 pm

Last Day of Term – Friday 21st July

Coronation Tea Party

Thank you to the FOSS team for organising the Coronation tea party. The sun was shining, the scones and cakes were delicious and the singing uplifting. Thank you to everyone who supported the event.



Year 3 and 4 Sporting Events

The Year 3 and 4 team competed in the School Games Tri golf event this week and represented the school superbly. Thank you to Mrs Fuller and the parent who helped at the event.



Other Year 3 and 4 Events

Wednesday 7th June – weekly swimming lessons start

Tuesday 13th June 4-5pm - Country dancing at Shelley School, Broadbridge Heath

Please ensure you have returned all the reply slips to the office.

Year 6 SATS

Well done to Y6 pupils who kept calm and focussed this week. We are impressed with their stamina and mature approach to the challenges.

SATS tests are controversial. Most teachers and school leaders do not agree with teaching children to sit test when they could be learning about exciting and important subjects. Teachers regularly assess pupils and already know their levels without the need for an externally marked test. The Reading paper has attracted a great deal of criticism for dry and uninspiring content and confusing and difficult questions. Spellings were particularly challenging and included words that are not widely used in English.

If you would like a flavour of some of the expectations for 10 and 11 year olds in maths, try this quickfire maths SATs test: <https://xd.wayin.com/display/container/dc/62ed786c-22ac-47de-80f1-8bf1f670e6bd/details>

Science – lifecycles

Year 5 have been learning outdoors this week and exploring the wildlife in the school pond as part of the Science Lifecycles study. We noticed that the pond is over-populated with goldfish. We released some tadpoles into our pond yesterday and would like to give them the best chance of survival. Would any families like some goldfish for their garden pond?

Recently spotted in the garden and pond area was a small mink. While very beautiful, we don't want to encourage it to stay by giving it a food source.



Petworth Arts Festival

Mrs Petros is working with a group of children from all classes to prepare some super art work for the festival for which details will follow. They are being perfectionists, improving and refining ready for display. We plan to hold a preview for parents before it goes on display at Petworth.

Active Playtimes

We have recently purchased new basketballs and footballs for playtime use, so pupils will no longer be bringing them in from home.

READING REWARDS

	RUBY	EMERALD	AMETHYST	DIAMOND	WORMERY
WILLOWS	Ozzy				
OAKS			Maia, Early, Henry		
ASH	Rowan, Amelie				
SYCAMORES	Edith	Rachel, Amelia	Dawid		



GOLDEN BOOK

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

- WILLOWS - Ozzy for always being kind. Kobe for fantastic phonics and reading
- OAKS - Finn and Charlie for settling in so well this morning, making friends, listening and producing some wonderful art. Welcome to Shipley!
- ASH - Amelie for always showing kindness to others. Isabella for great work with money in maths
- SYCAMORES - Year 6 for their hard work and good humour during the SATs. Year 5 for excellent behaviour and supportive attitude this week

Staff have golden tickets to give to children in Willows and Oaks. All golden tickets are put into a weekly draw. This week's winner is Esther.

Kind regards
Jen Harvey and Jill Phillips