



SHERDLEY NEWSLETTER

'Our Caring Creative Community'

Friday 3rd November 2017

I hope you managed to have an enjoyable half term break. This half term, Autumn 2, will be a very busy term around school. Not only will we be carrying on as normal, but we will be organising a Children in Need Day, Family Learning Week, PTA Winter Fair and lots of Christmas events. Please keep an eye on the school calendar for all up and coming events.

Next week there will be a PTA meeting to look at organising the Winter Fair, which takes place on Friday 8th December. The meeting will be on Thursday 9th November, starting at 3:15pm. It will take place in a classroom, so if you wish to attend your children can sit in the classroom reading environment and read some books, or play some board games whilst the meeting takes place. Please spare some time to come along and help with ideas etc.

During the week commencing Monday 13th November we will be doing lots of work in school on Anti-bullying. Different age groups will be looking at different themes or topics, which will include: cyber bullying issues, how to stay safe online, stranger danger, definitions and an understanding of what bullying is - or isn't (including the different forms of bullying) and making posters to promote our anti-bullying themes. During the same week, we will be holding Family Learning activities - this is where you, as parents, will be invited into particular lessons to take part in your children's learning. Class teachers will be sending letters out with the details of these sessions - please return your reply slips quickly as we can only fit in a limited number of adults into each session.

At the start of half term one of our staff got married: Congratulations to Miss Fishwick on her marriage over the half term break, she is now Mrs Davies and we wish her and her husband all the very best for the future.

We are having an increased number of children coming into school with nail varnish on their finger nails. This is not appropriate to wear in school and I would ask for your assistance in ensure that nail varnish is removed before they come to school - Thank you.

Mr McCoy

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tue 7th November

Individual School Photographs

Wed 8th November

Y6 Height & Weights

Thur 9th November

PTA Meeting, 3:15-4:20pm

Fri 10th November

4M Class Assembly, 2:30pm

Mon 13th November

Anti-Bullying Week & Family Learning Week

Fri 17th November

Children In Need Day

Fri 24th November

5M Class Assembly, 2:30pm

Wed & Thur, 6th & 7th December

KS1 Nativity, 2pm

Fri 8th December

PTA Winter Fair

Sherdley Blast

Blast, our before and after school club, is proving to be very popular and we can only take a maximum number of children. The club runs term time only from 7:30-9:00am in the morning and 3:00-6:00pm after school. In order to use this facility, you will need to complete a registration/booking form which is available on our website, or from the main office.

Bookings can be made either by ringing the main school office, or calling Joanne (Blast Manager) on 07496 080115.



Attendance and Punctuality Matters at Sherdley!

To improve further our school must: *"Improve the attendance of a small minority of pupils who are persistently absent by making sure that they attend school on time and as regularly as other pupils nationally."* **Ofsted, July 2017**

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

Attendance League - week ending 13th October 2017

Position	Class	Percentage attendance
1st	2J	99.33%
2nd	3H	99%
3rd	1W	98.67%
3rd	4MC	98.67%
5th	4M	98.33%
6th	2P	98%
6th	6E	98%
8th	5BR	96.30%
9th	5M	96.25%
10th	1S	96%
10th	3NC	96%
12th	REC B	94.33%
13th	REC M	93.33%

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Attendance League - week ending 20th October 2017

Position	Class	Percentage attendance
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6th	6E	93.31%
7th	2J	93%
8th	3NC	92.67%
9th	4M	91.67%
10th	REC B	90.67%
11th	5BR	90%
12th	1S	85.67%
13th	5M	84.38%

Overall school attendance is

96.18%

Good attendance in Sherdley is above 96%.

So far, this year 36 children have missed school due to taking holidays during term time. This has resulted in 269 lost sessions of learning—which is actually 26 weeks of lost learning in just this half term! Holidays taken during term time will not be authorised, which means you could be at risk of a fine—if your child reaches a total of 20 unauthorised absence sessions in any 10-week period. Unauthorised absence may include 'U' late after the register closes as well as illness absence without medical evidence or unexplained absences. Reception children become liable to fines and prosecutions the term after they turn 5, from January 2018 for some pupils.



Remember to be on time for school

Junior pupils need to be in the line for 8:45; learning will have started by 8.50am!

Reception and infant pupils should be in the line for 8:50 to ensure a prompt start to learning.

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS FOR LIFE, NOT JUST FOR SCHOOL!

We love to share your children's achievements, so please let us know anything you would like us to share on the fortnightly newsletter.

If your child has something to celebrate from outside of school please let us know.

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Don't forget, as well as our Facebook page and website you can now follow us on Twitter—@sherdleyprimary

We also have a FREE 'app' linking to the school website, search for 'OurSchoolsApp' and download it for FREE.