



## 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 8<sup>th</sup> December. The meeting will be on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> November**  
Y6 Height & Weights

**Thur 9<sup>th</sup> November**  
PTA Meeting, 3:15-4:20pm

**Fri 10th November**  
4M Class Assembly, 2:30pm

**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> November**  
Anti-Bullying Week & Family Learning Week

**Fri 17th November**  
Children In Need Day

**Fri 24th November**  
5M Class Assembly, 2:30pm

**Wed & Thur, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
KS1 Nativity, 2pm

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> 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%                |

## ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

Attendance League - week ending 20th October 2017

| Position | Class | Percentage attendance |
|----------|-------|-----------------------|
| 1st      | 3H    | 97.67%                |
| 2nd      | REC M | 96.33%                |
| 3rd      | 1W    | 96%                   |
| 4th      | 4MC   | 95.33%                |
| 5th      | 2P    | 93.33%                |
| 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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