



## SHERDLEY NEWSLETTER

'Our Caring Creative Community'

Friday 17th November 2017

We have had a great Family Learning Week this week in school with lots of parents and family members coming into lessons. Everyone that I have spoken with has been very complimentary and seem to have enjoyed spending time in lessons with the children.

Thank you to the PTA who have agreed to fund the cost of the new playground marking on the Reception and KS1 playgrounds, the children are very happy with the brightly coloured markings. Next week we will be having a new shed put into the garden area on the KS2 playground, which will then allow us to store items for the garden areas. Whilst we try our hardest to provide a variety of items for school, sometimes budgets are extremely tight and it is only with your generous help and donations that we afford these 'extra' items for the children. Thank you all for supporting the PTA events - it does make a difference.

Please could I remind parents that children should not be coming into school with extremes of hair styles, this includes: coloured hair, shaven lines and other markings. Hair bobbles and adornments should be minimal and reflect school colours (blue, grey, black) - thank you again for your support.

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 ensuring that nail varnish is removed before they come to school - thank you.

We have been having a number of problems contacting parents with the details that we hold in school. We are sending home a letter and a blank 'data collection sheet'. If you would like to check/update/amend your details with us, then please complete it and return it to school. Could I ask that if you do have a new mobile phone number that you remember to advise us straight away.

*Mr McCoy*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**

Y6 Heights & Weights

**Fri 24<sup>th</sup> November**

5M Class Assembly,  
2:30pm

**Thur 30<sup>th</sup> November**

Cinema Evening

**Wed & Thur, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>  
December**

KS1 Nativity, 2pm

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> December**

PTA Winter Fair

**Tue 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Y5&6 Christmas Play

**Wed 13<sup>th</sup> December**

School Christmas  
Dinners

**Thur 14<sup>th</sup> December**

Y3&4 Carol Concert

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> December**

EY Nativity

**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> December**

EY & KS1 Parties, pm

## PTA NEWS

We had a very successful PTA (Parents and Teachers Association) meeting last Thursday and our next meeting will take place after school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 3:15-4:15pm. We are currently organising the PTA Winter Fair, which takes place after school on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. If you have any ideas or can offer support please let us know - we cannot run these events without lots of helpers. Can you help set up on the day? Can you help run a stall? Are you able to stay for a little while after the event to help clear up? If so, either let the school office know or email [pta@sherdleyprimary.co.uk](mailto:pta@sherdleyprimary.co.uk). Thanks everyone!



# 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

week ending 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

Position	Class	Percentage attendance
1st	REC M	99.17%
1st	2J	99.17%
3rd	5BR	99.07%
4th	1S	97.92%
4th	4M	97.92%
6th	5M	97.66%
7th	2P	97.50%
8th	REC B	97.08%
9th	4Mc	96.67%
10th	3H	95%
11th	6E	94.85%
12th	3NC	94.17%
13th	1W	90.83%

## ATTENDANCE LEAGUE

week ending 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Position	Class	Percentage attendance
1st	3H	99.33%
2nd	4Ma	98.67%
3rd	6E	98.53%
4th	4MC	98%
5th	5M	97.81%
6th	REC B	97.67%
7th	1S	96.67%
8th	3NC	96.67%
9th	5BR	96.67%
10th	2J	95.67%
11th	2P	95.33%
12th	1W	94.67%
13th	REC M	94%

**Overall school attendance is 96.22%**

*Good attendance in Sherdley is above 96%.*

Overall attendance at Sherdley is good compared to the averages for St Helens and England. However, the attendance of some children is still a concern.

We expect children to be ill; especially children lower down the school; as they pick up germs and develop immunity for the future. When children are ill we need them to stay at home and get well. If you visit a chemist, doctors or the 'Walk in' always ask for a card or slip which you can pass into school. We can then update the registers and our records.

When looking at registers the patterns which we most closely monitor are 'odd days off' with no, or repeated reasons, such as 'poorly', or 'sick'. Several of these will result in a 'Medical Evidence' required letter being sent home meaning that we will monitor future attendance even more closely.



### 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.*

*Congratulations and well done to Poppy-Sue (3NC), she was given the honour of carrying the flag for Beavers at church for the Remembrance Service.*

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

**GOVERNORS EMAIL ADDRESS:** [sherdley.governors@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:sherdley.governors@sthelens.org.uk)

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