



SHERDLEY NEWSLETTER

'Our Caring Creative Community'

Friday 1st December 2017

Another busy couple of weeks in Sherdley. Our Boccia Team were amazing in their competition last week...and also amazing in managing to keep it a secret that they won the whole tournament! We were able to announce the result in assembly to Key Stage 2 and everyone shared their success. What fantastic team spirit they showed!

Obviously, we are approaching that incredibly busy time of year for productions and events in school. For the sake of fire regulations, we do need tickets to be issued for the events taking place in school, so here is the list of events, times and tickets:

- KS1 [Years 1 and 2] - the performances are BOTH at 2pm, one on Wednesday 6th December, the other on Thursday 7th. Tickets are available from Mrs Johnson (LSA in Year 2)
- Year 5&6 - the performances are on the 12th December, at 9.15am and again at 1.45pm. Tickets are available from the main school office
- Year 3&4 - the Carol Concert will take place at St Nicholas' Church on Thursday 14th December, 2:00pm start. Tickets are not required for this event....as usual it could be a festive squeeze!
- Pre-School and Reception - the performances BOTH take place on Friday 15th December one at 9.15am, then again at 2.15pm. Tickets for these are available via your child's class teacher

Thank you so much for your support for our PTA; plans are well underway for the Winter Fair and we have lots of stalls, raffles and special visitors (wearing a red suit!) in both of our school halls.

Can I ask you all to remind your children to use the hand sanitiser sprays around school, and the tissues we provide in each class as we try to combat the usual germs which start to build up at this time of year. We do give children lots of reminders and encourage them to wash their hands, drink plenty of fluids and throw tissues into the bin when used but the same message from you at home is always incredibly helpful.

Final reminder about returning completed and up to date contact detail sheets - these are really important for the sake of us contacting someone in an emergency, but also you are receiving text messages from school.

Mr McCoy

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed & Thur, 6th & 7th
December

KS1 Nativity, 2pm

Fri 8th December

PTA Winter Fair, 3:15-
6:00

Tue 12th December

Y5&6 Christmas Play

Wed 13th December

School Christmas
Dinners

Thur 14th December

Y3&4 Carol Concert

Fri 15th December

EY Nativity

Mon 18th December

EY & KS1 Parties, pm

Tue 19th December

KS2 Christmas Parties,
pm

Thur 21st December

Last day of term

Mon 8th January 2018

First day of term

PTA NEWS

We are currently organising the PTA Winter Fair, which takes place after school on Friday 8th December, 3:15-6:00pm. Thank you for your kind donated items, there is still time to offer to help out. 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. 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 17th November 2017		
Position	Class	Percentage attendance
1st	5M	99.69%
2nd	1W	99.33%
2nd	4M	99.33%
4th	3NC	99%
4th	4Mc	99%
6th	2P	98.67%
7th	5BR	98.15%
8th	3H	97%
9th	REC B	95%
9th	1S	95%
11th	6E	94.71%
12th	REC M	93.67%
13th	2J	91%

ATTENDANCE LEAGUE		
week ending 24th November 2017		
Position	Class	Percentage attendance
1st	2J	98.67%
1st	4Mc	98.67%
3rd	5BR	98.19%
4th	3H	97.06%
5th	3NC	96.67%
6th	5M	96.25%
7th	REC M	95%
7th	6E	95%
9th	1S	94.67%
10th	2P	94.33%
11th	4Ma	92%
12th	REC B	90.33%
13th	1W	90%

Overall school attendance is 95.97%

Good attendance in Sherdley is above 96%.

So far, this year we have had a significant increase in the number of requests for term time holiday absences.

Absences during term time are RARELY authorised, and absence requests for the purpose of a family holiday are ALMOST NEVER authorised.

Any absence for a holiday which is unauthorised, which is for more than 10 school days (which is 20 absent sessions) will automatically result in a Penalty Notice fine.

So far, this year we have issued 3 of these.

HOWEVER, any holiday absence which is less than this period may still result in a prosecution. Further absences over a 10-week period which are unauthorised will be added to the holiday absences and may still result in a prosecution and fine.



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.

Well done to Reuben in 1S who has achieved his Duckling Level 2 award at Swimming. He explained the many skills he had to show and is already working on his Level 3 certificate!

Congratulations to Ewan in 4M who has been awarded his Yellow Belt, and second Orange Tag in Mixed Martial Arts.

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

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