



Shaw C of E
Primary School



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Dear parents and carers

I really can't believe we are nearly at half term already.

Thank you all for attending our wonderful Harvest festival in church last week, it was so lovely to see everyone celebrating together. It certainly showed how much the children have missed singing!

Thank you also for your kindness, we had so many donations for Melksham Food Bank, it will really help with the wonderful work they do in supporting families locally.

This week or next week children in all classes will be carrying out activities in celebration of Black History Month – watch out on Class Dojo and Facebook for some highlights of this next week.

As you are all aware Mr White is currently off sick, thank you for the well wishes he has received from parents. We wish Mr White a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing him back after half term.

Have a good weekend and a wonderful half term, 😊

Kathryn Clark

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Lateness

Just a little reminder please about start times for the school day:

The main entrance and exit places and times for each year group is:

Rec – Garden gate (8.45 and 3.15) (Register closes 8.55)
Yr. 1 and 2, hall gate (8.45 and 3.15) (Register closes 8.55)
Yr. 3 and 4, hall gate (8.30 and 3.00) (Register closes 8.40)
Yr. 5 and 6, church gate (8.30 and 3.00) (Register closes 8.40)

Please be aware if your child arrives after the Register closing time, they will be marked late.

Our current Mission Shaw Christian value is...

THANKFULNESS - Being thankful is such an important aspect of being kind and practicing gratefulness is recognised as being great for our mental health. It's sometimes easy to take what we have for granted and we need to practice being grateful. This term our assemblies explore the importance of thankfulness and we also demonstrated this throughout our Harvest service.

Dates for your diary

October 21	
Tuesday 19th Oct	School Disco – please remember to sign up in the hall foyer.
Thurs 21st Oct – Sun 31st Oct	October Half Term Holiday
Nov 21	
Mon 1st Nov	TD Day 2 – school closed to pupils
Tues 9th Nov	Open Day
Fri 19th Nov	Yr. 6 Trip by train to Steam Museum
Fri 19th Nov	Children in need – non school uniform day
Tuesday 23rd and Thursday 2nd Dec	Parents Evenings
Dec 21	
Wed 8th Dec	Yr. 3 and 4 – Christingle Service 6pm in Church
Fri 10th Dec	PAFOS Christmas Fayre 2.45-4.30
Fri 10th Dec	Dress down day – Christmas Jumper day in return for a bottle for the Bottle tombola for the Christmas fayre.
Mon 13th Dec	Reception Scratch Nativity 2.30 in the Hall
Tues 14th and Wed 15th Dec	KS1 Christmas Play
Thur 16th Dec	Whole School Christmas Lunch
Fri 17th Dec	Last day of term. Carol Service 1.15 in church. School ends 2.15 for everyone. No after school club.
Sat 18th Dec – Mon 3rd Jan 22	Christmas Holiday
Jan 22	
Tues 4th Jan 22	TD Day 3
Feb 22	
Sat 19th Feb – Sun 27th Feb	February Half Term Holiday
Apr 22	
Sat 9th April – Sun 24th April 22	Easter Holiday.
Mon 25th April	Term begins
May 22	
Mon 2nd May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Mon 9th May	Yr. 6 SATS week
Mon 23rd May	Yr6 Cornwall week
Sat 28th May – Sun 5th June	Half term holiday
Jun 22	
Thu 9th and Fri 10th June	Yr. 3 Beer residential
Jul 22	
Thurs 7th and Fri 8th July	Yr. 4 Oxenwood residential
Mon 11th and Tues 12th July	Yr. 5 and 6 Play
Wed 13th and Thurs 14th July	Yr. 5 Braeside residential
Thursday 22nd July	Yr. 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 22nd July	End of term

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Car parking

Car parking continues to be an issue here at Shaw, as well as many other schools! Please help by being kind and considerate. If there are no spaces, please do not wait down the middle of the car park as this causes congestion out on the road. Please exit the car park and go around again, likewise if you are unable to turn right into the car park continue into the village and turn around. We want to keep everyone safe and need to work together on this.

Exciting events coming up!

Now that things are beginning to get back to some normality, we are really excited to share some of the extra activities we will be getting involved in this year.

Young Voices

All spaces for this have now gone and we are so excited to be taking 30 children from across Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 on Tuesday 11th January 2021 in Birmingham. Children will join a school choir between now and then and on the day join a choir of thousands to perform in front of parents and friends.

Dance Festival

Mrs. Richardson has kindly offered to take a group of 30 children to the Dance festival in February. Again, children will need to join a Dance club prior to the event in order to be ready for the Dance festival. This is open to children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. If interested please send a 20 second audition video to Mrs. Richardson – irichardson@shaw.wilts.sch.uk.

Also, if any parents have a dancing background and could help with the After-school club, please let Mrs. Richardson know and we will sort out DBS checks.

Colour Fun Run

Look out for information coming out today from Mrs. Draper about a Fun Run being held at Melksham Oak for local primary school children. This is open to all children and costs £1 to enter which will be donated to Wiltshire Air Ambulance. See letter for more information.

Look out for information coming out soon about a Football Tournament on Tuesday 30th November open to Years 5 and 6.

As well as a Bench ball Festival open to Year 4 on Monday 6th December 2021.

After Christmas we look forward to Netball tournaments, Swimming galas, Tag Rugby Festival, Rounders and Bench ball for Year 3s!

Finally, a big THANK YOU to our Young Leaders. We have about 16 Year 6 children who volunteered and trained as Young Leaders. They plan and run games in the playground at lunchtime which children are enjoying joining in with. It has also been lovely to see the younger children playing these games independently at playtimes. Well done Young Leaders what great role models you have been. Keep it up!