



# SHILLINGSTONE C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## Dates for diaries:

### **WoW Write**

The dates for the Wow Writing (WoW talking in Jungle Class) this term are:

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October, Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December

### **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

British Values week

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

Individual/Family portraits – Fraser Portraits photographers

PTA Spooky movie night – 6-8pm

### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October**

2:45pm Desert Class Parent Celebration Assembly

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

Last day of Autumn term 1<sup>st</sup> half

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

2:45pm harvest Festival in school hall

### **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

Half term

### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

INSET day

### **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

Children due back into school

### **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Woodland Class Parent Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm in hall

### **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

PTA Spooky Disco 6-7:30pm

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

Jungle Class Parent Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm in hall

### **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

Parents' evenings

### **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Ocean Class Parent Celebration assembly 2:45pm in the hall

### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

PTA Bag2School collection

### **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November**

PTA Quiz Night 8pm at The Portman Hall

### **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

Year 5 residential to Leeson House

### **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

PTA Christmas Carols in the atrium

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Whole school trip to The Lighthouse Theatre – pantomime –

Last day of Autumn term 2<sup>nd</sup> half

### **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January**

INSET day

### **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January**

Children due back in school for Spring term 1<sup>st</sup> half

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2017





Dear parents/carers,

### **Attendance figures**

Whole school attendance up to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October: 98.02 %

Please remember that term time holiday cannot be authorised by the headteacher – all term time holiday will be classified as unauthorised.

Current attendance figures for each class are:

Jungle Class – 96.96%	Woodland Class – 98.12%	Ocean Class – 98.37%	Desert Class – 98.15%
			

### **Fraser Portraits – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

Fraser Portraits will be taking individual and family photographs this Friday. If you would like a family photograph to include pre-school children, please let the office know and arrive at school at 8:45am.

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October – PTA Spooky Movie Night**

The children are invited back into school on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October between 6-8pm for a 'Spooky Movie Night.' There will be three movies available – Hocus Pocus (PG), Curious George Boo Fest (U) and Ghostbusters (PG). All Reception children will watch Curious George and the children from the other classes will be able to choose. However, parents need to be aware that the other two films are PG. The children will be given movie snacks, hot chocolate and biscuits. The cost is £2 per child. We hope the children have a lovely time!

### **Desert Class Parent Celebration Assembly**

All parents of children in Desert Class are warmly invited to the Parent celebration Assembly on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 2:45pm in the school hall.

### **Harvest Festival**

We will be holding our Harvest Festival in the school hall on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 2:45pm. We would be grateful to receive any canned/tinned food donations which we will be giving to Blandford Foodbank. Please could food donations be brought into school that week and placed on the cabinets in the school atrium. Your support is much appreciated! We look forward to seeing you at the service.

### **Transfer to High School – September 2018**

This is a reminder to the parents of Year 6 children, to apply for their High School places by 31<sup>st</sup> October. There are a number of parents that have still to apply for a place.

### **Head lice**

Head lice have been identified in school once again. Please check your child's hair and treat if necessary. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Old £1 coins**

Please be aware that the school can no longer accept old £1 coins as they go out of tender this week.

### **Coats**

Now that the weather is getting colder could I remind you to send your child to school with a warm coat every day.

### **Spiritual Garden - we need your help!**

This Saturday at school we are having a working party on the Spiritual Garden. If you would like to help please come along from 9.30am with a spade (and possibly a wheelbarrow) if you have one, and help prepare the ground for the paths. Depending on how far we get on Saturday, we may need to reconvene on Sunday afternoon from 2pm.

We are hoping to have the seat rendered as soon as possible, but have been unable to find a tradesperson to carry out the work within our time frame. If anyone thinks they have a contact who might be able to help then please let me know.

If you require any further information please call me on 07939 236 472.

Many thanks, Rachel Oakley

**Yours sincerely,**

Mrs J. Whitehouse-Sharpe

