



SHILLINGSTONE C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Thursday 22nd February 2018

Dates for diaries:

Monday 26th February

Parent Forum meeting at 3:30pm in school

Wednesday 28th February

School PTA meeting at The Old Ox pub at 8pm

Wednesday 7th March

Parents' evening 3:30-5pm

Thursday 8th March

Woodland Class Parent celebration Assembly in the school hall at 2:45pm

Monday 12th March

Parents' evening 3:30 – 7pm

Thursday 15th March

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

Thursday 22nd March

Ocean Class Parent Celebration Assembly in the school hall at 2:45pm

Thursday 29th March

Last day of Spring 2nd half term

Friday 30th March – Friday 13th April

Easter holidays

Monday 16th April

Children due back into school for Summer 1st half term

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back to school – we hope you had a lovely half term! We are looking forward to a busy Spring term 2nd half.

Attendance figures

Whole school attendance from 5.9.17 to 9.2.18 is 96.27%

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

Attendance figures for each class for 2.1.18 – 9.2.18:

Jungle Class 95%	Woodland Class 95.83%	Ocean Class 97.58%	Desert Class – 94.05%

PTA Notice

The school is hosting a Cross Country tournament after school on Tuesday 27th February where children from the Pyramid schools come and compete against each other. In previous years there have been many supporters at the event so we are taking the opportunity to sell refreshments in the form of hot/cold drinks, snacks and cakes. We would be really grateful for any cupcake or cookie donations which we can sell. Please bring them in on Tuesday morning and leave them in reception/atrium.

PTA meeting

We will be holding our next PTA meeting on Wednesday 28th February at 8pm at The Old Ox pub in Shillingstone. Please come along and support the PTA meeting – your support and help is really needed in order to raise funds for the school.

Parent Forum meeting

We will be holding our parent forum meeting on Monday 26th February at 3:30pm in school. If you have any issues, ideas or queries about school, please make sure you speak to the year group representative. Please ensure that personal and individual queries or concerns should be discussed directly with the head teacher or individual class teachers.

Award of places in High School

Parents of children transferring to High School this year will be notified of the award of places on Thursday 1st March.

World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day in a range of different ways this year, as you are aware from our previous newsletter. All of these activities are to encourage children to pick up a book and read!

Potato book characters

We would love children to bring in their favourite book characters made from potatoes. Please see below the pictures for inspiration! We are looking forward to making a display out of all of these characters.



Extreme reading

We will also be making a display of all the children 'extreme reading' using photographs. Please see the photos below for inspiration!



We are also planning a range of exciting activities for the children to get involved in during the school day and hope they all have a wonderful time!

School hall hire

We are always trying to find ways of raising money and funds for the school. The school hall is available for hire if you are looking for a venue for a birthday, anniversary or other party. Please see the school office to get a copy of the school Lettings Policy if you are interested. All money raised goes straight to the school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. Whitehouse-Sharpe

