



SHILLINGSTONE C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Thursday 8th March 2018

Dates for diaries:

Thursday 8th March

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

Monday 12th March

Parents' evening

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

Friday 23rd March

'Wear what you want to school day.' PTA
day – KS1 bring in chocolate, KS2 bring in
bottles/toiletries.

Saturday 24th March

Easter bingo at The Portman Hall 7-7:30pm

Tuesday 27th March

Easter service in school 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

Wednesday 18h April

PTA meeting at The Old Ox Shillingstone at
8pm





Dear parents/carers,

Attendance figures

Whole school attendance from 6.9.17 to 2.3.18 is 95.62%

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 – 2.3.18:

Jungle Class 96.11 %	Woodland Class – 96.34%	Ocean Class - 97.42%	Desert Class – 96.37%
			

World Book Day

We had a fantastic day on Monday, celebrating World book Day.
Children came into a very chaotic school – furniture turned up-side-
down, books everywhere and clothes thrown around the school. The
children were shown some symbols that were left in the playground
and were asked to investigate during the day! Children in each class
designed a front cover of a book to place on their class room door.
Well done to every class, the book covers were amazing! A particular
well done to Ocean Class who won the class door competition – they
will now be given a budget to spend on books for our school library.

We would like to thank all the boys and girls for decorating the
wonderful potato book characters – I have placed some photos
below. All the potatoes are displayed in the atrium. They were all
fantastic!

We would also like to thank all the boys and girls who sent in an
'Extreme Reading' photograph. We have placed all the photographs
up on a display board in the atrium area (leading towards Desert
Class). We would like to say a particular well done to Olivia (Year 5)
who was awarded a book token for the winning photograph.

We hope everyone had a fantastic day!





PTA

We had a PTA meeting on Wednesday 28th March, to plan the next events to raise money for the school.

Easter Bingo – Saturday 24th March @ The Portman Hall – Eyes down at 7:30pm with doors open at 7:00pm

We will be holding a 'Wear what you want day' on Friday 23rd March. Please could children bring in one of the following to help the PTA with raffle prizes: KS1 chocolate, KS2 bottles/toiletries.

Our next PTA meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th April at 8pm at The Old Ox in Shillingstone. It would be lovely to have support – please come along!

Head lice

There have been reported cases of head lice in school this week. Please could you check your child's hair and treat if needed. Many thanks.

KS2 swimming

There was a huge disappointment when the coach did not arrive to take KS2 children to swimming on Monday 26th February. This was due to driver error with his schedule. I have spoken to Vale Coaches and re-arranged this session for Monday 26th March.

This means that we need 2 helpers to go into the pool and 2 helpers to support on the poolside on this new date. Please let the office know, if you are able to help – many thanks! Update: so far we have one parent helping on poolside.

Mothering Sunday Service

Do come and celebrate Mothering Sunday at Holy Rood Church at 10.30am this Sunday. There will be beautiful posies for every mother and Shillingstone School Church Drama Group will be performing.

Easter service – date change

The Easter service date has changed – the new date is Tuesday 27th March at 2:45pm in school. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Children being left in the playground first thing in the morning

There are an increasing number of children being dropped off at school very early in the morning (before and just after 8:30am) with no adult supervision. The school doors open at 8:45am and children should only come into school from this time. Your support with this is appreciated.

Jungle Class Parent Assembly

We welcome all parents/carers of children in Jungle class to join us for their celebration assembly at 2.45pm on Thursday 15th March.

Passports


I am getting an increased number of people asking me to certify passport applications. I am very happy to do this but with an increased teaching commitment, please be aware that these applications cannot be completed with a short deadline. Also, I would be very grateful for a donation to the school for completing these applications.

Burton's Community Orchard

Burton's Community Orchard is having a hedge planting session on Sunday 18th March from 10:30am. If there is anyone willing to come along and volunteer to dig-in some plants, it would be much appreciated.

**For all parents and carers of children and young people
(pre-school upwards) with an additional need or disability**

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**Monday
19th March 2018
10am till 2pm**

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Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. Whitehouse-Sharpe

