



SHILLINGSTONE C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dates for diaries:

Friday 19th October

Cake sale after school – donations of cakes gratefully received

Monday 22nd October – Friday 26th October

Half term

Monday 29th October

Children due back in school – Start of Autumn term 2nd half

9am – PTA Coffee morning – all parents invited to come along

Friday 2nd November

Spooky disco run by the PTA – 6pm – 7:15pm

Saturday 17th November

PTA adult quiz night at The Portman Hall – 7:30pm

Woodland Class Parent maths mornings

9-9:30 – Fri 2 Nov (POSTPONED), Fri 7 Dec

KEEP THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY

We will be holding a special family afternoon on

Wednesday 21st November which will involve parents/grandparents coming into school to share a lunch and work alongside the children in the afternoon. We will be sharing more information after half term!





Thursday 18th October 2018

Dear parents/carers,

Attendance

Whole school attendance from 5.9.18 to 12.10.18 is 96.61%

Attendance figures for each class for Autumn term 1st half:

Jungle Class – 96.13%	Woodland Class – 97.38%	Ocean Class - 96.98%	Desert Class – 95.57%
			

School attendance is vital for your child to reach their full potential. If your child is unwell, please ensure that you telephone the school office on the morning of the first day of absence. Your help with this is much appreciated.

Please remember that term time holiday cannot be authorised by the head teacher – all term time holiday will be classified as unauthorised. Please be aware that term time holiday (5 school days or more in an academic year) must be referred to Dorset Local Authority and this will lead to a £60 penalty Notice being issued to each parent.

North Dorset School Games medal competition

Well done to all of the children who took part in the competition to design the medal for this year's North Dorset School Games. All of the entries were excellent and our Young Ambassador team (Raife, Josh, Henry and Ella) found it very difficult to choose their winners. Huge congratulations to the winners: Amber, Charlie T, Ava, Antonia and Georgia! Their designs will be sent forward to the leader of the North Dorset School Games who will look at the entries from all of the schools before deciding on an overall winner.

Friday 19th October – Cake sale after school

We will be holding a cake sale after school on Friday to raise funds for the school library. Donations of cakes will be gratefully received on Thursday or Friday.

Fire brigade visit

On Monday 29th October, the fire brigade will be visiting Jungle Class, Woodland Class and Year 5. We hope the children enjoy meeting the fire fighters and learn all about their vital job.

Shillingstone Primary Facebook page

The school has now set up a Facebook page – we will be updating the page in the coming months and hope that it will be another way of keeping you up-to-date with the events in school.

Recycling bank

Are you having a clear out over half term? Please don't forget the school has a recycling bank. All donations are gratefully received and all money raised goes straight to the school. Items that can be recycled include: clothing, towels, sheets, blankets, curtains and shoes.

After school clubs

Please remember that Indo-boarding after school club has now finished and KS2 Dance will be held on a Tuesday after school.

Woodland Class events – POSTPONED

We will be postponing Woodland Class parent celebration assembly. It will no longer be held on Thursday 1st November – when we have a new date, we will let you know.

We will also be postponing Woodland Class parent maths morning. It will no longer be held on Friday 2nd November – when we have a new date, we will let you know.

Thank you to Woodland Class parents for their understanding with these matters.

Rotary Club Shoe Box Appeal

Thank you to those families who have already returned their completed shoe boxes to send to disadvantaged children around the world. There is still time to either send one in or just some items we can use to make up a gift box. Items can be crayons, colouring pads, flannel, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, toy, jigsaw – as long as it fits into a shoebox! Thank you for your support. We have until 1st November to collect the boxes.

PTA news

Coffee morning

The PTA will be holding a coffee morning at 9am (just after drop-off at school) on Monday 29th October for any parents who would like an informal chat about ways to help out with organised events. Come along and see how you can help!

The Spooky disco is booked for Friday 2nd November from 6pm – 7:15pm – all children are welcome to attend.

Put the date in your diary - PTA adult quiz night at The Portman Hall – 7:30pm. Look out for details on how you can get a ticket!

News from Maypole

Holiday Club – October half term

Halloween theme – pumpkin carving, arts & crafts, dressing-up, face-painting. Parents can pay £20 per day (school hours), £25 from 8am – 6pm. Parents can book ½ days. Siblings get a 20% discount.

After-school club

After school club is available for all children who attend Shillingstone Primary School - Parents are able to book on an as-hoc basis. Booking times are: 3:15pm – 4:15pm £4.50, 3:15pm – 5:15pm £8.50, 3:15pm – 6:00pm £11.00 and there is a 20% discount for siblings. Maypole are flexible if children attend a school club - they can go to after school Maypole club at 4:15pm.

Half term

We hope you all have a lovely half term. We look forward to welcoming all the children back I school for the Autumn term 2nd half on Monday 29th October.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J. Whitehouse-Sharpe

