
Friday 1st March 2024

Shebbear Community School

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy St David's Day!

Last week we welcomed our local MP, Sir Geoffrey Cox, into school. This week we had the person who will be attempting to take over from him when the next General Election comes along.

Phil Huty (from the Liberal Democrats) had a tour of the school and met some of the children. He was accompanied by our Ward Councillor for Torridge, Cheryl Cottle-Hunkin. She was visiting the school to see the new tablets which were purchased for the children through a council grant which Cheryl supported us with.



As you can see, some of the children were able to show our visitors the tablets in action. They will be used to support some of the online sites we use in class such as Nessy and TT Rockstars as well as for aspects of our computing curriculum such as film making

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Alford
Headteacher



Upcoming Events

March 6

Girls' football at SC

March 7

Online RE lesson

March 11

Parent consultations this week

Award Winners this week

Teddy Class – Elske,
Bella and Hector
Koala – Annie K and
Oakley H



Drake were top of the
TT Rockstars table and
Christie had most house
points.

Whole school
attendance this year is
95.26%

Other news this week

Attendance: For this week:

Whole School – 96.8%

Teddy – 96.56%

Panda – 98.00%

Koala – 100% (well done!)

Football: The school team was back in action on Wednesday afternoon when we took on our local rivals, Shebbear College. I am pleased to report that we were the victors in this 10 goal thriller. It was an excellent all round performance which saw us go one goal behind before coming back to lead 3-1 at half time and a final score of 7-3. Both Buster and Spencer managed to score a hat trick with Sam also on the score sheet. Next week it is the turn of our girls who will be playing against their Shebbear College peers.



Music Tuition: We have had a good response on the music tuition. The most popular choice seems to be piano. I am hoping to have a meeting with Ruth (the music teacher) on Monday so please let us know by then if you are interested.

World Book Day: As is Shebbear tradition, we encourage the children to dress up for World Book day next Thursday 7th March as a book character – there will be prizes for each class. This can be as simple or extravagant as you like!

Also, we will be holding a pre-owned book sale (including a grown-up section) after school between 3.30 and 4pm. Any donations would be appreciated with all funds going towards shared reading books for whole class use. Please can I ask that all books are in a decent state of repair that someone else would be prepared to buy. All donations of books to be given to Mrs Evans and please pop along with your children next Thursday.

Useful Links

School Contact Details

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Website:

<http://www.shebbear-pri.devon.sch.uk/>

Safeguarding: Any concerns should be reported to Mr Alford who is the Designated Safeguarding Lead. In his absence contact Mrs Gough or Mrs Evans.

Ofsted Parent View:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk>

Latest Ofsted report:

<https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50188808>

Up-coming Term Dates:

Spring term ends on Thursday 28th March

Summer Term Starts on Monday 15th April

Bank Holiday on Monday 6th May

Whitsun half term is the w/c 27th May

Non-pupil day on 17th June

Summer term ends on Tuesday 17th June

Full date list can be found here: <http://www.shebbear-pri.devon.sch.uk/parents-carers/term-dates/>

Parents' Evenings: Please see the attached letter giving details of parents' evenings for the week commencing Monday 11th March.

Request from Teddy Class: There are a few things that Year R/Teddy Class would dearly love to have and we wonder if anyone can help us with any of the following that their children may have grown out of or that you have some left-overs:

- ✓ small wellingtons
- ✓ all-in-one waterproofs
- ✓ dressing up clothes
- ✓ any out-door toys
- ✓ wood chip
- ✓ chippings - both for the outside garden area.

Thank you from the Teddy Team

Online RE Lesson: Next Thursday afternoon, Mrs Wood has arranged an online RE lesson for the children across the school. They will have the opportunity to talk to a Muslim lady and ask her some questions about her faith. The children have recently been studying Islam in school so it should be a nice opportunity to learn some more and test their own knowledge. It will also coincide with the start of the holy month of Ramadan. Many thanks to Ali Lee for setting this up on our behalf.

Year R and Year 6 Height and Weight Measurement Programme: A reminder that next Monday afternoon the school nurse will be visiting to carry out this programme which is only for children in Year 6 and Reception. You should have received the information about this, which included a link to withdraw your child from the programme if you wished to do so.

Panda Class Trip to Bodmin Steam Railway: Thank you to all who have been kind enough to make a voluntary contribution of £6 towards this trip. After some discussion, we have decided that the trip will be able to go ahead on Wednesday 20th March. Don't forget to book with the school office if you would like to order a packed lunch from the school kitchen.