# Shebbear Community School

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

The summer holidays now seem firmly behind us and everyone is ensconced in the new school year. The children have made an excellent start and it's lovely to walk around the corridors and to see them all hard at work.

It continues to be an unusual time for all of us. It certainly feels like we are living through a significant period of history. As you will know, King Charles III has said that next Monday will be a bank holiday so that people can watch The Queen's funeral. As a result, school will be closed for the day but will reopen as normal on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>.

Reverend Warren joined us on Tuesday afternoon to lead an assembly about Her Majesty's passing. He talked about things in our lives that have been there for as long as they can remember, and are now no longer there. Many of the children shared their experiences of losing pets while a couple talked about older relatives who had died.

As I mentioned last week, the death of the Queen has made many of us think about people we have lost in the past or sad occasions in our life. Children are not immune to this either and we remain available to support any of them, should they need it at this time.

Unfortunately, we have had to postpone our trip to the Eden Project. It has been rearranged for Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Details will follow shortly.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Alford Headteacher



## **Upcoming Events**

September 19

School Closed

October 4

**Author visits** 

October 7

Flu immunisations

Awards were given this
week to:
Teddy Class – Darcie, Willow
and Teddy
Panda Class – Buster and
Woody
Koala – Evie-Faith and
Bethany



# Other news this week

<u>Multi Skills Club:</u> There is still room on the Tuesday multi skills club so if you would like to book a place then please contact the school office. Once your place has been confirmed, you will then be able to pay on the School Money app.

**School Uniform:** Before paying on the School Money app, please check with the school office for uniform availability as only limited sizes are now available. Going forward we hope to have a more comprehensive list on the School Money app. If you do need any school uniform items ordered then please contact the school office for an order form.

<u>Menu Change:</u> Next Friday (23<sup>rd</sup> September) it will be fish fingers rather than salmon bites as advertised.

As an aside, Vikki did want it confirmed that she is NOT planning to leave the school to work elsewhere. It would seem that a rumour has been circulating that she is about to move on from Shebbear and she was keen to let everyone know that this is not the case.

**School Money app:** A reminder that everyone should be using this for ordering school dinners and thank you to the vast majority who are doing this. Mrs Gough is willing to hold an after school session on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 3.30 p.m. to help anyone who has yet to use or would appreciate some guidance in how to use the app. From the week commencing Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September, any child who is not booked in via the app but requires a school meal will only be able to have Option 1 (unless unsuitable due to dietary requirements).



## **Useful Links**

#### **School Contact Details**

Tel: 01409 281220

**Email:** <u>admin@shebbear-</u> pri.devon.sch.uk

#### Website:

http://www.shebbearpri.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:**

Autumn half term is the week of the 24th October

Term ends on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 is a non-pupil day

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January is the first day of the spring term

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