
Friday 24th February 2023

Shebbear Community School

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you all had a lovely half term break. It's always exciting to hear what the children have been up to.

Just a short newsletter this week with a few dates etc. However, I will also give a mention to our Year 1 and 2 pupils who went swimming for the first time this school year (and first time ever at school for the Year 1 children). They were absolutely fantastic with the whole experience. For many, it will be the first time they will have been swimming without mum or dad there to help. They did a great job of getting themselves changed and getting back to school with everything they had taken. Their swimming was pretty good too! Well done everyone.

Despite many signs of spring (not least the lighter evenings) it has still been fairly cool this week. I would advise that children wear tracksuit bottoms rather than shorts as well as a school hoodie or sweatshirt on PE Friday. Having taught PE this morning, I can confirm that there is still very much a nip in the air!

Our football and netball teams were taking on Hatherleigh school this afternoon in a double header. On Monday afternoon our Year 3 and 4 children are playing football at Shebbear College and on Monday after school, we have our first match in a new local football league when we are up against Monkleigh. Results in next week's newsletter. Whatever the respective outcomes, it is great to see so many children taking part in inter-school sports.

Best wishes for a good half term ahead.

Mr Alford
Headteacher



Upcoming Events

February 27

Year 3 and 4 football at SC

March 6

Parents' Evening 1

March 8

Parents' Evening 2

Awards were given this week to the following pupils:

Teddy Class – Darcie,
Finlay and Jake

Panda Class – Tommy and
Annie

Koala Class – Jasper and
Reggie



Babbage had most house
points

Other news this week

Reception children vision screening: earlier this week all parents of Reception children should have received an email giving details and the option to opt out of the vision screening exercise which has been booked for the 21st March. If you did not receive this then please contact the school office for a copy.

Parents' Evenings: These will be on Monday 6th March and Wednesday 8th March. Booking details coming up.

World Book Day: Next Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day. If children would like to come in dressed as a favourite book character they are very welcome to.

Next Wednesday 1st March: Just to let you know that next Wednesday the office will be unstaffed as myself and Mrs Hawker are on a training course. Emails will be checked first thing and, hopefully, throughout the day. The answerphone will also be checked for any messages throughout the day. However, please leave any urgent messages by phone.

HOT OFF THE PRESS

Well done to the footballers for winning their match against Hatherleigh this afternoon by 4 goals to 2. The netballers had four matches and lost three and drew one, but got better and better with each match they played (Hatherleigh had more than one netball team).

From Devon County Council:

[A year in my life - Oksana's account of having to leave Ukraine; providing businesses with space to grow and norovirus cases increase significantly \(govdelivery.com\)](#)

Useful Links

School Contact Details

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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:

Week of the 13th February is half term

Friday 31st March is the last day of the spring term

Monday 17th April is when the summer term starts

Bank holiday for the King's coronation on Monday 8th May

Week of the 29th May is half term

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