# Shebbear Community School

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Earlier this week the children chose their representatives for school council. A number of children from Years 2 to 6 put their names forward and undertook a small speech in front of their peers. This was followed by a class vote at the end of which, the following children were elected to serve:

Teddy Class: Hunter

Panda Class: Freddie and Libby

Koala Class: Isla, Sammy B, Rupert and Zak

Well done to them and to all of the children who put themselves forward.

Don't forget that we have our harvest festival coming up on Thursday morning in the hall, starting at 9.15am. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. While this will not be a ticketed event, I would ask that we restrict numbers to a maximum of two people per pupil to ensure that we can get everyone in.

We are asking for donations. These can be fresh produce such as fruit or vegetables or tins and packets. The former will be sold at the end of the harvest festival (don't forget to bring some change) and the latter will be donated to a local food bank. Any donations will be very welcome.

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Mr Alford Headteacher



### **Upcoming Events**

October 10

Y6 Bikeability Day 1

October 13

Harvest Festival

October 13

Koala Class rugby at SC

Awards were given this
week to:
Teddy Class – Macsen,
Amelia-Rose and Max
Panda Class – Pixie, Fred
and Oakley
Koala – Kade, Caitlyn and
Oakley



House point winners for this week were Babbage

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## Other news this week

Secondary School Admissions: Parents and carers of pupils in Year 6 will need to complete and submit their secondary school application by the 31st October. The link to the Devon school admissions site is here: https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-secondary-school-place/

It is important that you do apply for a place even if your child has older siblings at your school of choice already. This does not guarantee a place. Parents and carers will find out where their allocated place is on the 1st March 2023.

The deadline for applying for a primary place in 2023 is normally around the 15<sup>th</sup> January. Again, more details on the Devon admissions site.

<u>Panda Class Multi-Skills:</u> Panda class children attended a multi-skills morning at GTS on Tuesday. They had a great time trying a variety of activities and learning new skills.

<u>Y6 Bikeability:</u> Thanks to those who have returned their forms for this. We have filled all of the available spaces, with the children being divided into two groups. You should have received an email letting you know which group your child is in.

Appledore Book Festival: The children have enjoyed two super author visits this week as part of the Appledore Book Festival. On Tuesday the children in KS2 had a session with Justyn Edwards. He read extracts from his latest book The Great Fox Illusion and also performed a couple of magic tricks. On Wednesday, children in Reception and KS1 had a very interactive talk from Chloe Inkpen. She talked about her books, told some stories and demonstrated her fantastic illustrating skills.

Both authors signed copies of their books so the children have a personalised keepsake.

<u>Church Visit:</u> On Thursday afternoon the children in Teddy Class walked into the village to meet Reverend Warren at the church. He showed them a range of different Bibles as part of the children's work on holy books. The children were very interested in their learning and showed great respect and excellent behaviour throughout.

<u>Other Information:</u> Please see attached document for information on a forthcoming Bingo night and a dance class.

#### **Useful Links**

#### **School Contact Details**

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#### 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>

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