

Shebbear Community School

Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are well and truly into the school Christmas season. The decorations are up and the children are getting excited about the forthcoming festivities.

The highlight of this week was the KS2 show, 5 Gold Rings, which was performed on Wednesday afternoon and evening. It was an excellent show with some great acting and fantastic singing. It was very entertaining and enjoyed by all of those who attended. Well done to all of the children for learning their lines and the songs and then performing them so well. Thanks also go to Mrs Gough and Mrs Evans who directed the show and everyone else who was involved in making it a success.

A word of thanks too for the SSSG who recently donated some money to the school to buy additional microphones which really helped.

There's lots going on next week as we reach the end of term. All the details can be found below.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Alford
Headteacher



Upcoming Events

December 14

Pantomime trip

December 15

Christmas lunch and parties

December 16

Christmas service and end of term

Awards were given this week to the following pupils:

Teddy Class – Bella, Sophie and Kyra

Panda Class – Solomon and Buster

Koala Class – Sofiia and Sammy



Other news this week

Events for next week: There are various activities going on next week:

Wednesday – we are visiting the Queen's Theatre in Barnstaple to watch Jack and the Beanstalk. We will leave soon after the start of school and be back around 1.30pm. Children will need to bring a packed lunch (which they will eat when we return) and a snack to keep them going. The children will also get an ice cream at the theatre.

Thursday – children can wear a Christmas jumper into school if they wish. It is also Christmas lunch on that day. In the afternoon the children will have Christmas parties in their classes.

Friday – is the last day of term. We also have our Christmas service which starts at 1.30pm. All parents/carers are welcome to join us. The service will end at 2.15pm when the children will need to be collected. The service is due to take place at Lake Chapel. However, there are currently some issues with the heating system so please look out for any updates should be venue change. Due to the church service and end of term, the PE coach won't be in on Friday so normal school uniform please. Also no football or Born to Move after school.

Christmas Fair: Thanks to everyone who came along last Friday. It was a lovely occasion and the hall was packed, particularly straight after school. The amazing sum of £1038 was raised, which is tremendous. A huge thank you to Leanne and everyone at the SSSG along with all of the extra helpers who volunteered on the day.

If you bought a 'Santa's Sleigh' square, I can tell you that the two winning squares were 23 and 87. Despite me willing people to choose one of these, everyone avoided them until the last moment when Ali Lee chose the first one. In a quick rewriting of the rules, Tracy Worth chose an alternative square to the empty 87 and the second winner was Zak in Y6 with square 97.

Dogs' Trust Visit: On Thursday we were joined by Emily Mayo from the Dogs' Trust. She spoke to the three classes about the work they carry out and also on how important it is to look after your dog well. Sadly she didn't bring a real dog in but did bring along a life size cuddly dog. Knowing that she was visiting along with the love most of us have for dogs, the proceeds of our collection at the Christmas show will be given to the Dogs' Trust.

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:

Term ends on Friday 16th December

Tuesday 3rd January 2023 is a non-pupil day

Wednesday 4th January is the first day of the spring term

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





Dentist Visit: Earlier this week we had a visit from a local dentist. She talked to all three classes about the importance of looking after your teeth and how best to care for them. The children particularly enjoyed putting a tablet in their mouth which highlighted any plaque they may have as well as giving them a purple tongue for the rest of the day!

Reverend Warren Visit: Earlier today we were joined by Reverend Warren who conducted a Christmas assembly.

Art Club: There are a few places left for art club which will be starting in the New Year. It will run on Tuesdays after school and is being led by Mrs Shadrack. It is only open to pupils in Years 2 – 6 inclusive. Places can be booked via the School Money app, and there are currently five left.

Absent children and missed school dinners: Any missed and booked school dinners this week have been cancelled and you should have credit available for when you book the next ones. If for any reason you are unable to see this then please contact the school office.