

Miss Shaw's Newsletter

Dear children and families,

It has been another amazing week at school. As I walk around there is a real sense of learning and I have been thrilled to see yet more children for a Headteacher's Award this week. You can see that the children have such pride in their learning and their school.

I would like to thank you all for all your support as we have fully reopened our school. We now have everything up and running except the individual music lessons. I am hoping that we will be able to accommodate Rock Steady and the Cambridgeshire Music in the very near future. I will let you know when this is possible. We are very grateful for the space we have in our school as we are utilising every corner. We are missing the use of our small hall which is currently our quarantine area but this is the way life has to be for now.

Some of our Year 6 have been very busy this week, not only keeping up with the learning in school but also taking part in Bikeability. It has been lovely to be able to hand out certificates and badges to so many of them this morning. Year 5 have their opportunity next week too.

Have a lovely weekend.

Take care,

Miss Shaw

SECONDARY TRANSITIONS 2021 - NOW OPEN

All year 6 parents can now start to apply for <u>a Secondary School place for next September</u>. You need to <u>have</u> <u>done this by the 31st October 2020</u>. It is vitally important you complete this online form, as without it your child will not be allocated a school place for Year 7. You will receive your offer on the 2nd March 2021. If you have any issues, please let the office know and we will do what we can to help you.

You will need to log into the Citizen Portal to make your application and the link to the website is: https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/apply-for-a-school-place/secondary-school

If you do not wish to do the application online, paper application forms are available on request if you call 0345 045 1370. Any students that have deferred places must apply via a paper application as the portal will not accept their date of birth for this transfer group.

If you have any questions about the application or online processes please refer to the booklet on the council website "Next Steps - Starting Secondary School; a guide for parents 2021-22".

I doubt that our secondary colleagues will be able to offer the usual tours this year so please check their websites for any further information about virtual tours.



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Dinner money

Year 3 – 6 meals cost £2.25 per day

Reception and Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a universal free school meal.

There is always a vegetarian option available along with pasta/jacket potato followed by a dessert

Fresh fruit is also available every day.

The full three week rolling menu is available on our school website. Please do encourage your child to try the meals.

School uniform reminder

When children are in school, they are part of a community and by wearing a simple uniform we aim to promote a feeling of equality, partnership and belonging. Uniform is therefore encouraged for all children. As a reminder, the school colours and clothing are as follows:

- Grey skirt, pinafores or trousers
- White polo t-shirt or shirt with the school logo on
- Emerald Green sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo on
- Year 6 children wear a plain white shirt and school tie
- Appropriate black coloured footwear

For PE, Children wear navy or black shorts and a white t-shirt, except for Reception to Year 4 who wear their house colour T-shirt for PE activities. Trainers or plimsolls are worn for outdoor P.E. and indoor games. Children have bare feet for apparatus work and dance. Navy or black joggers and sweatshirts can be worn for outdoor P.E.

School sweatshirts, polo shirts and book bags can all be ordered and paid for through the online SimsPay website. www.simspay.co.uk

Dates for your diary

Monday 21st-Thursday 24th September Year 5 Bikeability

Monday 28th September-Friday 2nd October Healthy Lifestyle week

Monday 12th October Flu vaccinations

Monday 26th-Friday 30th October Half Term

Monday 2nd November INSET Day

Friday 18th December School closes for Christmas at 14:15

The Orchard closes for Christmas at 16:15

Monday 4th January 2021 INSET Day

Tuesday 5th January 2021 School opens for the Spring Term