



Shinfield Infant & Nursery School Summer Term Newsletter 6

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of our last half term this school year. I hope that you all had a good half term holiday with your children. This is just a short newsletter with some reminders. Please can everyone continue to be really careful in the current COVID-19 situation, as positive cases in Wokingham are on the rise. Several schools in Wokingham have recently had to close bubbles, and having been able to avoid this for 1 1/2 terms so far we hope that we don't have to do this again. With 1 in 3 people not showing any symptoms it is essential that we keep up with lateral flow testing where possible, and wearing face coverings when on school premises. Lateral flow tests can be ordered from Shinfield Medical Practice just behind the school if parents would like to enquire there—this may be easier and helpful for you.

You may recall that the INSET Day on Monday 5th July had to be moved to 4th January to set up the school in new bubbles for COVID-19 (the Junior school were already closed due to union action) so this school and Nursery will be open on Monday 5th July as usual, including Breakfast and After School Club.

There is a possible case of chicken pox in F2, just to advise parents /carers of this so they are aware.

I am delighted to tell you that we have appointed Claire Summers as the new Deputy Headteacher who will be working with the new Headteacher Nicky Lauchlan in September. More details will follow about the staffing for September once we have confirmed some more appointments in the coming weeks.

Best wishes to you all for what I hope will be a great last half term ahead.

Amanda Turner, Headteacher

Sunny days at school—Reminders for parents and carers

Sunglasses are not allowed at school for safety reasons when children are running about on crowded play spaces. These can only be worn if they are prescribed by the child's optician or doctor.

Suncream should be applied before school using an all-day type. Please do not send suncream in to school with your child. If it is necessary to reapply suncream during the day for medical reasons please email Mrs Turner with an explanation and we will try and help, or parents can come in and reapply it at lunchtime.

Sandals if worn should not be open toed, for safety reasons, eg: little toes can get squished in busy classrooms and open toed sandals can catch on school play equipment.

Water bottles: If not already doing so, please only fill children's water bottles with plain still water, as the children are drinking from these throughout the school day. Squash, fruit juices etc can be provided separately with packed lunches if parents wish.

Shorts and summer dresses are available for sale at reasonable prices from the second hand uniform boxes by the school office. We welcome donations of good quality second hand uniform.

General uniform reminders - all items should be red or navy blue.

PE kit should be plain (no pictures or large logos). If you are buying new PE kit please buy red tops and navy shorts or jogging bottoms as we would like all PE kit to be in these colours from September 2021. Second hand PE kit is available as above. School sweatshirts can be worn as warm tops.

Jewellery should not be worn to school. Earrings should be removed or taped over for PE days.

Hair fasteners should be small, neat and red or navy blue. Big bows are not allowed for safety reasons as they can catch in other children's faces or hair when children are playing together.

Well-being Activities for children

Mrs Lowes our Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) Coordinator has been supporting staff and children with lots of well being activities in school. Please find attached some links to mindfulness and relaxation exercises that we've been doing with children in school, that you might also like to try with your child at home. Apparently 'Moovlee Monkey' is a favourite with the children! Thank you Mrs Lowes!

Elm Class at the Year 2 Medieval Banquet

Here are some more photos from our amazing celebration in the Great Hall of Shinfield!



Pottery tile painting—Friends of Shinfield

There is still time to order tiles for painting as we are finishing this on Wednesday 9th June. The cost is £5 per tile. The money should be sent in a named envelope labelled with your child's name and class to the school office no later than 9am on Wednesday. Online orders will be checked up till 9am that day.

Open trial session for all ages!!!

Are you aged 6-18 years old?

Do you like football?

If so Arborfield Aces would love you to join our friendly club. Come on down as we are wanting to expand as a club and create more teams.



When: Saturday 26th June

Where: Arborfield Green Pavilion, Buttenshaw Avenue, RG29LY

Time: 11.00

Please contact Sara on 07908343381 or fixturesarborfieldaces@gmail.com for more information and to register your interest and attendance on the 26th. Registration is essential.

GOLDEN GOOD BOOK

Thursday 27th May

For showing what makes a good friendship

Birch Class:

Zakwaan and Aaliyah

Maple Class:

Prisha and Sophie

Willow Class:

Elliott and Avah

Apple Class:

Freddie and Charlie

Cherry Class:

Omer and Frankee

Plum Class:

Emel and Mati

Ash Class:

Lily and Albert

Elm Class:

Zane and Nadia

Oak Class:

Poppy and Julia

Well done children!

RAGS 2 RICHES Clothes collection next Monday 14th June. Donations in by 9am

You can bring your clean, reuseable clothes in any bags. Please leave them under the cycle canopy in the school car park or under the main entrance canopy by the wall. No school uniform or duvets please, or any items that are dirty or torn.

Attendance

Attendance for the school is currently 96.73%. The class with the best attendance and the Shinfield Cup for the week is Plum Class with 98.03% attendance.