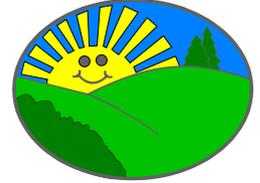




**Shinfield Infant & Nursery School**  
Autumn Term Newsletter 6  
Friday 15th October 2021  
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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week in school. The children have again impressed visitors with their politeness and excellent learning behaviours. We are really pleased with how well they have settled into their new classes and look forward to sharing information about this with you next week at Parents' evening.

Mrs Nicky Lauchlan  
Headteacher



## **Christmas Fair**

### **Thursday 2nd December**

### **3.30-5pm**

Thank you to the parents who attended our meeting on Tuesday. They came up with some wonderful ideas but we are very concerned that we won't be able to run this event unless more parents step forward to help.

You don't need to offer a lot of time, every little helps. We will need help preparing stalls before the event and help on the day. Some of this work can be taken home to do, some can be done in school after you have dropped off your children.

If you are able to help in any way please contact the PTA via their Facebook page by searching for Friends of Shinfield Infant School PTA group.

**The next meeting will be on Tuesday  
9th November at 7pm**

All money raised at this event will help to improve resources within your child's classroom.

### **Parking**

If you are finding parking around the school hard, please be aware that there are parking spaces at Shinfield Baptist Church. There is a large carpark that is also used by Junior School parents, it's just a short walk away from us.

### Year 2's Author visit

On Thursday Year 2 had a special visitor. Author Paul Geraghty visited each class and talked to them about where he gets his inspiration for his books from. He also showed them how he creates the wonderful illustrations. We hope that his visit will have really inspired them to write, draw and be creative!



### Elm class cake sale update

Elm class staff are keen to let you know that their final total was £322!  
Thank you for your support, that is an amazing amount!

### School day timings

We have kept our Staggered start and end times whilst the building work has been ongoing to help alleviate parking problems. Having spoken with the Site Manager the work should be finished by the end of October. This should mean that there are more spaces in the Public car park for Parents to use.

From November 1st we will be returning to our fixed times that were used before the Pandemic. This will make many elements of school life easier for us to organise, it should also help the many families who have children in different year groups.

The School day will work like this-

**8.45-8.55 am** All children in F2, Year 1 and Year 2 can arrive. There will be a member of staff from each year group on the playground to supervise them. There will be a member of staff on each gate as there is now to ensure that no child can exit without an adult. You may leave your Year 1 and 2 children on the playground to be supervised by school staff if you wish to do so.

**8.55am** The whistle will be blown and all children will line up by their class signs to be taken in by their teacher.

**9am** The registers will be taken and the gates shut

**3.20pm** End of school for all F2, Year 1 and Year 2 children. If you have children in more than one class please collect your youngest child first.

This used to work well, we will be watching it closely and looking out for any teething problems.

When exiting the school site at these times we would like you to continue using the one way system as this has improved the flow of people.

If you have any concerns about this please let a member of staff know.

### **GOLDEN GOOD BOOK**

**Friday 15th October**

**For choosing to follow our school rules**

**Birch class: Sienna Suarez and Riley**

**Maple class: Ava and Esra**

**Willow class: Georgia and Hannah**

**Apple Class: Harry and Minahil**

**Cherry Class: Geneviene and Amandi**

**Plum Class: Rosie and Grace**

**Ash Class: Hazara and Lexi-mae**

**Elm Class: Jaxon and Lottie**

**Oak Class: Ellie S and Brody**

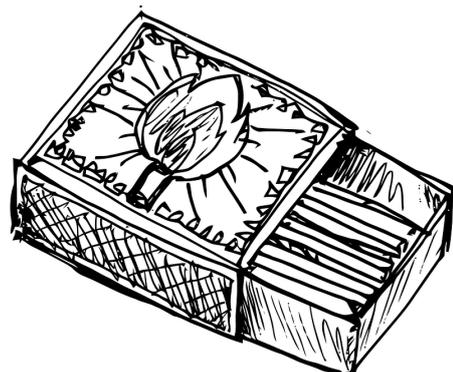
**Well done children!**

### Half term Matchbox challenge

For a bit of fundraising fun our PTA have organized a Matchbox challenge.

Please look out for the empty matchbox and a

letter explaining this next week!



## Parents' Evenings and Book Looks

The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you online next week. This is an opportunity for you to find out about how your child has settled into their new class and to ask any questions that you may have. Please be aware that the meetings are only for 10 minutes and that the teachers will need to be strict with these timings to ensure that the meetings run smoothly.

We would like to give you the opportunity to look at your child's books prior to the meeting. We haven't done this before, so we hope it works!

If you are speaking to your child's class teacher on Tuesday we would like to invite you to look at their books on Monday afternoon before you take your child home.

If you are speaking to your child's class teacher on Thursday we would like to invite you to look at their books on Wednesday afternoon before you take your child home.

These dates have changed from those originally published to enable staff to get themselves ready for the first online meetings.

Year 2- 2.45pm

F2- 2.55pm

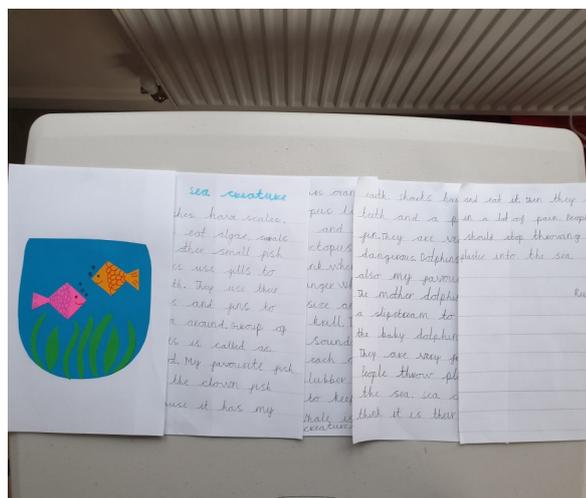
Year 1- 3.05pm

Their books will be in their tray and you can take this either outside to look at or to a corridor near the classroom. If you are coming into school for this we would appreciate you taking a Lateral Flow Test before entering the school and would like you to wear a mask.

This is an opportunity for you to look at your child's work with them, you will be able to talk to child's class teacher about what you see during your Parent's evening slot.

If your child goes to After School Club they could take their tray with them that day so that you can look at their work there.

## Shinfield's got talent



Rudrini has been working hard on her writing at home. What a wonderful story, well done Rudrini!