

# Sherington Newsletter



4<sup>th</sup> December 2020

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## TERM DATES

### Autumn Term 2

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

*Please note pick-up times on 18<sup>th</sup> Dec:*

**1:30** for Reception, year 3 and year 4

**1:35** for year 5 and year 6

**1:40** for nursery, year 1 and year 2

Points for pick-up remain the same

## School Meals

Daily fee £2.75

Weekly £13.75

Autumn Term 2

£96.25

Payment can be made via SIMSPay. Please contact the office if you require your login details.

## Nasal Flu Vaccinations

The School Nursing Team will administer the nasal flu vaccinations on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December

## Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. If your child usually has packed lunch but would like as school Christmas Dinner, please email the school office by **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**December** to order. Payment of £2.75 will be required for children in Year 3-6.

In order to create a festive atmosphere, this will also be our Christmas Jumper day.

## Christmas Post Box

This year, our Christmas post-box will operate slightly differently, in order to comply with our risk assessment.

Pupils are invited to bring in **cards between 7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December – next week**. There will be collection boxes inside the school at all entrances. Following a period of quarantine, cards will be distributed in the last week of term. Envelopes should be clearly named **with the class of the recipient also prominent**.

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## Assemblies

**Monday's** assembly looked at the character strength of curiosity through the eyes of Archie Thomas who stumbled across a previously unknown type of apple whilst out walking. Because it was he who discovered the new type of apple, he's been given the honour of naming it.

On **Tuesday**, Matthew Pennycook MP joined us virtually for Question Time. It was exciting to know that Mr Pennycook was talking to us from his office in the House of Commons.

Interesting questions were posed and Mr Pennycook gave us a great insight into what it's like to be an MP. Thank you Mr Pennycook!

Parents who are new to our Positive Education philosophy are encouraged to take the Character Strengths survey. For more information, see the school's website (Curriculum page > Positive Education) where the link can be found.

[www.viacharacter.org](http://www.viacharacter.org)

## Attendance

The award this week goes to 3B with 100%

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## Christmas Singing and Storytelling

We have really missed our singing assemblies this term - along with the excitement of preparing for the Christmas concerts.

Maintaining bubbles has helped to keep us safe, but undeniably there's been a void. As singing is such a positive way in which to lift our spirits, we've planned an alternative, COVID safe sing-along ... Watch this space for more details.

So too with our Christmas storytelling sessions. We might not be able to gather around the tree in school, but there is a way in which to celebrate the wonder of Christmas stories ... More details to follow early next week.

## After School Provision

From Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January, there is a permanent change of venue for one of our after school groups. The after school provision currently in the lower building will operate from the computing suite in the Spring Term. Parents who collect children from the lower building will use the door on Sherington Road, located slightly below pavement level. A letter with more details will be sent nearer the time. Children in the Creation Station are unaffected.

## COVID 19

As part of our risk assessment, windows in school are kept open to allow for ventilation. Therefore, it is important that your child wears a cardigan/jumper while in school, especially during the winter months.

Please remember that all adult visitors to the school are required to wear a face covering when entering the building, regardless of the duration of the visit. This includes dropping off forgotten items, late drop off and early collection

All schools in the borough have been asked to remind the wider community about the need for 2m social distancing. This applies when gathering outside school and in general. Please help to keep everyone safe by observing this guidance.