

Sherington Newsletter



22nd November 2019

TERM DATES

Autumn Term 2

Monday 28th October - Thursday 19th
December 2019

School Closes at 1.30pm on 19th December
2019

Dinner Money

£2.60 per day / £13 per week

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Monday 28th October - Thursday 19th
December 2019

£101.40

Payments are made via Sims Pay in advance.

www.simspay.co.uk

Please see the office if you require your login
details.

This Week

Attendance

Congratulations to 4L who win the attendance
cup this week with 100% attendance

Character Strength: Hope (or Optimism)

Monday's assembly examined some of the
many benefits that optimism brings.

Improved mental health and longevity are
amongst them. It is important for us to
remember that the feeling of disappointment,
experiencing difficulty or set-back is a
temporary state. A positive outlook is
important. An exercise to strengthen hope:
when you set yourself a goal - no matter how
big or small - think of 3 pathways which will
help you achieve it.

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

Nasal Flu

If your child did not receive the nasal flu vaccination
in school but you would like them to receive this, catch
up clinics are available. Please see attached document.

Children in Need

We raised a grand total of £392.25. Many thanks for
your generous donations. In Thursday's assembly,
pupils were shown a short film which illustrated one
way in which money raised for Children in Need is
used.

Senior Band

It's been an exciting week for our Sherington Senior
Band! On Monday we were visited by Yolanda Brown -
world renowned saxophonist and children's TV
presenter - who conducted a workshop on
improvisation. All children had the opportunity to
improvise over Ranglin' on Bond Street, which is a
piece they've been working on this term. Yolanda had a
fantastic energy and the children thoroughly enjoyed
her visit.

On Tuesday, our band performed at Blackheath
Concert Halls as part of the Royal Greenwich Music
Hub Instrumental Gala. The children were outstanding,
and were one of only two primary schools performing
that night. Well done Sherington Senior Band!

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School Photos

Individual School Photos were taken on Wednesday 20th November and proofs will be distributed once they arrive.

Greeting Cards

Proofs have been distributed to those children who designed a card. Completed orders must be returned to the School Office by 9am Friday 29th November. Thank you to the Friends of Sherington for organising this.

Reception Parents Math's Open Morning

This morning, parents (and other family) attended a session designed to support the development of math's skills and vocabulary at home. We place great emphasis on our partnership work with families and thank all who attended. Adults found it really helpful and feedback was incredibly positive.

Next Week

School Trips

Tuesday 26th November Years 3, 4 & 6 Trip to Greenwich Theatre
Tuesday 26th November Year 5 Trip to Science Museum

Christmas Performances

16th, 17th, 18th December

Rec & KS1 9:15am / KS2 2:15pm

Tickets for Reception & KS1 and KS2 performances will be sent home with pupils next week. As we've done previously, 2 tickets per family are allocated.

Upcoming

School Trips

Monday 2nd December - Year 2 Cutty Sark
Thursday 5th December - 2F Church Visit
Friday 6th December - 2T Church Visit
Tuesday 10th December - Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 2 and 5 Dick Whittington Production

Christmas Dinner

On December 11th Christmas Dinner will be served at Sherington. Orders have now been placed by Cook.

Christmas Fair

Save the date - Weds 11th December - Christmas Cakes, Carols & Crafts!

Friends of Sherington are running a Christmas event in the hall straight after school on Wednesday 11th December. Please come along for cakes, hot chocolate, crafts, games, singing from Glee Club and more!

If you are able to help out at the event or have a particular stall you'd like to organise, please contact Sarah (sarah.maybury@gmail.com). And if you have any good quality items you'd like to donate for a tombola, please leave them with the school office.

Parking around the School

As a driver you have a responsibility to park in a safe and considerate manner, if you don't you could be endangering a child's life. Please park with care and help make the area near and around our school a safer place for pupils.

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If you need to drive your child to school, for the safety of all our families, please remember:

- No parking on single or double yellow lines
 - No double parking
- No stopping, dropping or parking on the School Keep Clear yellow zig zags

Please consider whether you can take alternative transportation to Sherington; reducing traffic not only makes the outside area safer but also improves the quality of air around our school. Walking to school is an ideal way to reduce pollution and to exercise at the same time. We also ask that drivers are considerate to neighbours who are sometimes adversely affected by parking around the school.

Important Reminders

Pick Up Times

KS1 children finish at 3.10pm and KS2 children finish at 3.15pm. After School Clubs finish at 4.30pm.

Sherington Extended Day Care finishes at 6:00pm

Please could you ensure your child is collected on time.

School Visits and Adult Helpers

We are grateful to all parents and carers who volunteer to assist on school trips. Parent Helper Guidelines are provided to all who attend in this capacity. Two points included relate to Child Protection and GDPR policies and as such are non-negotiable:

*Parent helpers **should not use mobile phones for any reason** during the day unless requested to do so by the class teacher.*

***No photographs of children will be taken** unless asked specifically by a school member of staff using the school camera.*

For the safeguarding and privacy of all pupils, adult helpers are bound by these conditions. Thank you for your co-operation.

School Dinners

To ensure the School Kitchen has sufficient time to order food for lunches, meal patterns should be amended in advance. Please could you advise the School Office, in writing, of any changes to your child's lunch choice before half term for the following half term.

Health Education

We operate a no nut policy to keep our community safe and well.

In line with guidance from DfE, we are reminding pupils, parents and carers who prepare packed lunches of the importance of eating healthily. We are also asking parents to find a creative alternative to sending in cakes for a child's birthday. Suggestions are: donating a book for the book corner in your child's class; sending in fruit portions or another healthy alternative.

Late Arrivals

Children who arrive to school late, via the office, must be signed in using the Entry system by the adult who brings them.

We have an increasing number of children arriving late and unaccompanied. This is a health & safety concern if children are not signed in correctly.

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Changes to End of Day Collections

Where possible, any changes should be given in writing to the class teacher at the start of the day.

Your View - A Voice for Council Tenants & Leaseholders

If you live in a council property or are a private leaseholder we have been given information from the Royal Borough of Greenwich of a campaign to improve housing services. If you would like more details please call into the School Office.

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**TO PARENTS/CARERS OF ALL
PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED
CHILDREN IN THE BOROUGH OF
GREENWICH**

**It is not too late for your child to receive
the nasal flu vaccination**

**If your child did not receive the nasal flu
vaccination at your school session and
you would now like them to receive this,
catch up clinics will be available on the
following dates**

Tuesday 26th November - 3.30 to 6pm

**Saturday 14th December 2019 9.30 to
1.30pm**

**At Kidbrooke Village Centre 7 Elford
Close SE3 9YW**

Monday 2nd December - 3.00 to 5.30pm

Monday 23rd December 10.00 to 2pm

**At Gallions Reach Health Centre
Thamesmead SE28 8BE**

**Please call 0208 320 5721/41/42 for
appointment details.**

**PROTECT YOUR CHILD, PROTECT
YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND
COMMUNITY.**

- Nasal flu spray is painless and easy
- Nasal flu is given every year to protect against 4 strains of circulating flu
- Protecting your child can stop flu spreading and infecting those around them who maybe more vulnerable
- The nasal flu spray is safe and has been given to millions of children worldwide

**Oxleas NHS Immunisation Team can be
contacted at Gallions Reach Health
Centre on: 0208 320 5721 or email [oxl-
tr.immunisations@nhs.uk](mailto:oxl-tr.immunisations@nhs.uk)**