

Sherington Newsletter

25th February 2022



TERM DATES

Spring Term 2

Monday 21st February - Friday 1st April

Easter Holidays

Monday 4th April - Monday 18th April

Summer Term 1

Tuesday 19th April - Friday 27th May

Pupil Led Spring Term Parents' Meetings

Reception - Year 6

Our pupil led parents' meetings will be held on

Monday 28th & Wednesday 30th March. In Monday's assembly, pupils were introduced to pupil led parents' meetings. These have, in the past, been warmly welcomed by parents and pupils as a way of children taking ownership of their own learning. Pupils have the chance to talk about an area of the curriculum of their choosing and also to talk about their personal growth. Teachers also have an input regarding progress and attainment in the core subjects - Maths and English. Comments received from parents in 2019 include: *'It gives children the opportunity to feel responsible for their learning and achievements in school.'*

'I find it's beneficial for my son to take ownership of his work.'

'It gives me an opportunity to see my daughter talking about her work in a formal classroom setting and appreciate her relationship with her teacher.'

We appreciate that we have not been able to hold these evenings for the last 2 years because of the pandemic restrictions. As a result, many of our children (and parents) are

unfamiliar with the format. We very much look forward to reinstating them this term.

Please see attached letter of how to book.

School Meals

Daily fee £2.66 Weekly £13.30
Spring Term 2 £79.80

Meal Pattern Changes

Changes can only be made half-termly by informing the office.

Assemblies

Forgiveness has been the focus character strength for this week. We recognised the emotions felt when we have been wronged, and learnt that reflection, empathy and listening can help us forgive, let go and move on - in whatever way we choose to.

Attendance

The award this week goes to 2H with 98.9%

World Book Day

Our chosen book for World Book Day is A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare. On Thursday 3rd March, all will dress up as anything linking with the text. Over the years, the children's costumes have become more and more creative, and we hope that this year proves to be the best yet. See our website for more details and search 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' for images to help spark your creativity.

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There are so many magical characters to choose from - whether it be Puck, Cobweb, Moth, Oberon, Titania or ... the list is endless. Alongside a costumed assembly, the children will take part in a carousel of activities with teachers in their phase.

Girls Football Tournament

Unfortunately due to the weather, the girls' football tournament scheduled for today was cancelled. We are awaiting news on a new date.

500 Words Competition

The local authority have organised a writing competition for pupils. Please see separate letter for further details. Following on from the success of the recent 100 words writing competition, all children are encouraged to try their hand.

End of School Day

We have seen an increase of the late collection of children over recent weeks. Please see the end of school times below:

Nursery Sessions

Morning session 11.45am,

Full time session 3.00pm

Afternoon session 3.30pm

Reception, Y1 & Y2 - 3.10pm

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 - 3.15pm

If you are running late or an alternative person is collecting, it is imperative you call

the school office (not email) in order for us to send a message to the class teacher. Wherever possible, please do this before 3pm.

Y1 Local Walk

As part of their Humanities learning, Year 1 classes walked around the local area looking at different types of buildings.

Y5 visit to the British Museum

Today, Year 5 visited the British Museum as part of their history and art learning. Pupils studied original examples of Benin Bronzes.

Friends of Sherington

Our friendly parent association, desperately needs help to get off the ground again with its valuable fundraising work after a lull during Covid-19. We're looking for a co-chair, co-treasurer and co-secretary to help run the group. (It's hoped that by splitting each role there will be plenty of support and no one will end up doing too much individually). Parents who attended the meeting in the autumn term are warmly encouraged to get in touch. If you can get involved or just want more information, then please email Jo

at friendsofsherington1@gmail.com

Absence Reporting

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please report this using the absence line: 020 8858 5497 - option 1.

Absences must be reported daily.

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Please also call the absence line if your child is isolating and awaiting COVID 19 test results.

Lost Property

Please mark your child's name in clothing - it is easier for us to return items to their owners.

As well as sweatshirts, cardigans and jackets, water bottles are accumulating in lost property.

Playing Out Sessions

Pupils from Sherington are invited to join the local "playing out" sessions in Sundorne Road.

They meet every fortnight in the warmer months in the street, which is closed off to cars, to enjoy playing outside, chalking the road, racing our bikes and scooters and blowing bubbles!

Dates for playing out in Sundorne Road are

- **Mar 9, 23**
- **Apr 6, 20**
- **May 4, 18**
- **June 1, 15, 29**
- **July 13**

All sessions run from **15:30-17:30** and children of all ages are welcome, along with a responsible adult.