



Shears Green Infant School

Newsletter 16
Friday 16th June 2017

Our Amazing School!



Last week all children had the chance of working with Richard Gibson from 'Claydayz' to begin their new topics. Year two made baskets for Little Red Riding Hood to take to Grandma's house. Year ones worked together to create class castles. Reception children met lots of real bugs with 'Amazing Bug Encounters' and created their own minibeasts.

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School Improvement Update

- Well done to all of our Year 1 and 2 children who have taken part in the Government phonics screening this week. We are proud of each and every one of you and know you have really shown us what you can do! Thank you to my team for their continuous planning and evaluating of the most effective way to teach phonics.
- As this academic year nears completion we are busy working on our school improvement plan. We continue focussing on and improving the following:
 - * Diversity
 - * Ensuring all children make expected progress and there are minimal differences between those who have an educational need above and beyond to those who do not
 - * Enhancing reading for enjoyment
 - * Continuing to raise standards in phonics
 - * Creating a curriculum that supports progression from Foundation Stage into the different KS1 curriculum
 - * Enhancing outstanding teaching and learning through peer assessment and mastery

If you would like to comment on any of these or would like to suggest another area we can add to a school improvement we would love to hear from you— please use the following email for correspondence:
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Northfleet Schools Trust Launch



As of the 1st June we became part of a co-operative trust with Painters Ash Primary, Cecil Road Primary, Shears Green Juniors, Northfleet School for Girls, Northfleet Technology College and Northfleet Nursery (as a partnership). To celebrate the collaboration we are holding a launch event on Wednesday 28th June at 6pm.

Some of our children will be presenting their musical and dancing skills and we would love you to come along and support.

Refreshments will be available too!

It would be lovely to receive your support and to see you there!

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Day to Day

- Thank you for the return of the questionnaires so far. The results have been lovely to read and confirm you and your children remain happy and supportive of what we do. If however you do feel you have a particular issue you feel we need to address please let us know so we can improve it. If it is a personal issue—you are not happy with leadership, teaching and learning, safety for children please speak to us personally so we can support the issue you have.



- Our 'messy play hut' is now starting to take shape, our caretakers are working hard to cover the floor and ceiling including insulation. This means the children will be able to use the hut all year round. We have also purchased some outside seating sets which are currently being assembled.



- Congratulations to our kitchen team who have achieved the highest rating from the Food Standards Agency. Standard 5!



- Gate security—please ensure you buzz in to let my team know you are arriving. Parents leaving site please ensure you do not let others in as you are exiting. Many thanks.



- Our sports day is on the 12th July. We aim to start at 9.20am and will be asking parents to access the Junior field via the nursery gate on Packham Road (next to the infant car park access gate)
- As the warm weather stays with us please ensure you pop suncream on your child before school and they bring in a hat and water bottle.

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Diary Dates



June—July

Monday 26th June	New R Parent Evening :5.30pm school dinner taster 6pm start
Tuesday 27th June	New R Parent Evening: 5.30pm school dinner taster 6pm start
Wednesday 28th June	Trust Launch at Northfleet School for Girls 6pm— 7.30pm
Friday 30th June	Summer Fayre—3.30pm start
Friday 7th July	PDSA Day
Tuesday 11th July	Year 2 leavers assembly 9.15am start
Wednesday 12th July	Sports Day 9.20am start
Thursday 13th July	Year 2 leavers assembly 2.15pm start
Monday 17th July	Class Swap afternoon—more information to follow
Tuesday 18th July	Thank you Assembly
Wednesday 19th July	Year 2 Graduation 1.45pm start & Year 2 disco
Thursday 20th July	Last Day of Term
Friday 21st July	Staff development day

Many congratulations to our class winners for the last two weeks:

Week beginning : 22.05.17
Attendance: Class 10 98.61%
Walk on Wednesday: 9
Disney Points: Nemo
Buster Book Club: 11

Week beginning: 08.06.17
Attendance: Class 10 99.33%
Walk on Wednesday:12
Disney Points: Simba
Buster Book Club: 11



Current Whole School attendance— 95.14%

Please take a look at our attendance board situated in the main playground opposite the environmental/forest area. This will keep you up to date with how each Year group is contributing to achieving our attendance goal of 97%

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