



# Miss Shaw's Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

## RE: CONSULTATION TO CLOSE ON A FRIDAY AFTERNOON

On behalf of our Governing Body, I would like to thank all of you who sent in your views about whether we should close early on a Friday to provide the statutory planning, preparation and assessment time for teaching staff. There were 43 replies in total with 22 in favour and 21 opposing the change.

The Governing Body read all your comments, and, after a considered debate, have come to the decision that they do not wish to change the school's finishing time on a Friday at this current time. They do feel that there would be benefits educationally and have agreed to review this decision again in the future. At that point, the Governing Body would again consult with the parent body.

The primary reason for staying with our current timings, is to ensure that we do not put extra burden on parents when job security and furlough, for example, have caused extra financial stresses as the pandemic goes on.

Your views were very much appreciated – thank you for the time you gave over to supporting us with this decision.

Stay safe.

Miss Shaw

### Arrival and Collection times

Please stick to the allocated times so we can keep ourselves safe.

Bubble	Arrival (all days)	Leaving (all days)
Y5/6	8.45	3.10 – 3.15
Y4		
Y3	8.55	3.05 – 3.10
Y2		
Y1	9.05	2.45 – 2.55
YR/1		
Aviary	As per year groups	

Please note – the doors will be closed at 9.10. After that, please sign your child in at the office as our registers close at that time.

Children in Year 5 and 6 must not arrive at school before 8.40 am please.

### Reminder

Except for religious jewellery, for health and safety reasons children should not wear any jewellery to school. We have seen an increase in rings and bracelets recently.

Thank you.



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Please remember.

## STEP 2

At least five weeks after Step 1, no earlier than 12 April.



Indoor leisure (including gyms) open for use individually or within household groups.



Rule of 6 or two households outdoors.  
No household mixing indoors.



Outdoor attractions, such as zoos, theme parks and drive-in cinemas.



Libraries and community centres.



Personal care premises.



All retail.



Outdoor hospitality.



All children's activities, indoor parent & child groups (up to 15 parents).



Domestic overnight stays (household only).



Self-contained accommodation (household only).



Funerals (30), wakes, weddings, receptions (15).



Minimise travel.  
No international holidays.



Event pilots begin.

## STEP 3

At least five weeks after Step 2, no earlier than 17 May.



Indoor entertainment and attractions.



30 person limit outdoors.  
Rule of 6 or two households indoors (subject to review).



Domestic overnight stays.



Organised indoor adult sport.



Most significant life events (30).



Remaining outdoor entertainment (including performances).



Remaining accommodation.



Some large events (except for pilots) - capacity limits apply.  
Indoor events: 1,000 or 50%.  
Outdoor other events: 4,000 or 50%.  
Outdoor seated events: 10,000 or 25%.



International travel - subject to review.



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## Dates for your diaries

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	All day	Individual school photographs – see information below
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Year 6 Residential Trip (TBC)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	-	Half term holiday
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	PM	Afternoon Tea Party (children only) as part of the Arbury Carnival
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	TBC	Sports' Day (arrangements TBC)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Children's reports sent home to parents and carers
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9:30	Year 5/6 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	9:30	Year 2 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	14:00	Reception and Year 1 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9:30	Year 3 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9:30	Aviary End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	9:30	Year 4 End of Year Celebration Awards Ceremony
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	9:30	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	14:00	School closes for the summer break
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	16:00	The Orchard closes for the summer break

### School Photographs – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Individual school photos will be taken during the school day on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May. Unfortunately due to COVID restrictions, we are not able to offer sibling / family group photos this year.

Please make sure your child is wearing school uniform on that day - **particularly their green school jumper**, if at all possible.

### Healthy Snacks and Water Bottles

Just a quick reminder, as KS2 children (Years 3-6) do not have fruit provided by the school for morning snack, please continue to send your children in with a **healthy snack each day if they want something to eat at break time**. We are finding that quite a few children don't bring a snack, which means they are feeling hungry by mid-morning and aren't able to concentrate as well in class until after lunch. If you are looking for new ideas for snacks and packed lunches, this link might be helpful: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Also, please ensure you **send your child into school with a water bottle**, especially as the weather gets warmer. We do have disposable cups in school for children who forget their bottle, but these are not environmentally friendly and are only intended as an emergency backup, as children are asked to bring their own bottle into school. Please make sure all **bottles are clearly named**! Many thanks!



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Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Rosettes this week have been presented to:

Kestrel: Connor, Adam

Eagle: Tayla, Lacey

Kingfisher: Síndid, David

Woodpecker: Tyler, Ruda

Kiwi: Eshaal, Jayne

Ostrich: Ibrahim, Charlie

Flamingo: Mark, Dylan

Wren: Maya, Leanna-Lou

Gosling: Michai, Emilia

Duckling: Gabriel, Anakae

The Aviary: Robynn, Max

## HOUSE POINTS

The house captains have been busy adding up the total house points earned across the school so far this term. The totals earned this term are:

House	Total to date:
Churchill	363
Darwin	337
Fitzwilliam	328
Trinity	318

House points are currently awarded in Years 2-6, for doing good pieces of written work and following our school rules.