



# Miss Shaw's Newsletter

Dear children and families,

Well done to all those in Year 5 who took part in Bikeability this week. Again, it's so reassuring to know that you know how to cycle safely on the roads.

As the weeks go on, all the changes that have been put into place seem more and more normal. Thank you for all your ongoing support in making the start and end of the days work so smoothly. It does really help if parents do not congregate around the school gates once they have collected their children. We realise that naturally we want to catch up with people but continue to ask that you do this away from the front of school to allow all the adults to safely socially distance as they leave.

Homework starts again next week for children and for those in Year 2 – Year 6, this will be sent home in the children's orange homework books. Your children should have reading, spelling and times tables for homework each week.

Sadly, as I have previously mentioned, we will not be able to hold the usual Meet the Teacher evenings. Instead, there will be Meet the Teacher videos which will be posted on the website during the first week of October.

Parent/carer meetings this term will also be held by phone or through a virtual meeting. We are finalising how we are going to manage this and hope to have a letter out to you next week with more information. You will need to book in the usual way.

You will notice that we have included the names of the children who have received a rosette during Celebration Assembly on a Friday. Those children also have the option of having a cup of hot chocolate too. Miss Owen and I have thoroughly enjoyed our Friday mornings and being able to celebrate so many successes with each class.

Have a lovely weekend.

Take care,

Miss Shaw

## Reminders – earrings and PE

Please can you ensure that your child does not wear earrings to school on their PE day unless they are able to remove them without help. It is part of Cambridgeshire's Sports Health and Safety policy that earrings are not worn during sporting activities at school.

Many thanks.

## Year 6 school ties

Thank you for your patience with this one. The school changed uniform supplier and they have taken longer to provide the ties than we would have hoped. We have chased them and hope to have the ties in school in the very near future.

## A visitor in school!

Miss Shaw and Mr Kingsford were surprised to find a visitor in our playground shed this week! We appear to have a resident fox cub looking very cosy curled up in a corner. We have decided to let him stay until he leaves of his own accord.





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## Meet the team – continued



### **Mrs Bramley – our Family Support Worker**

I have been the Safeguarding and Family Liaison Officer at the Grove for the past year. I love working at our school! When I am not in school I enjoy spending time outside, walking, cycling, camping, paddle boarding, kayaking, horse riding, travelling and having adventures with my family!



### **Mrs Benson- Pastoral TA**

My role is to support children throughout the school with their emotional well-being. Away from school, I enjoy swimming, eating out and spending time with my grandchildren.

### **SECONDARY TRANSITIONS 2021 – NOW OPEN**

All year 6 parents can now start to apply for a Secondary School for next September. You need to have done this by the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020. It is vitally important you complete this online form as without it your child will not be allocated a school place for Year 7. You will receive your offer on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021. If you have any issues, please let the office know and we will do what we can to help you.

You will need to log into the Citizen Portal to make your application and the link to the website is:  
<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/apply-for-a-school-place/secondary-school>

If you do not wish to do the application online, paper application forms are available on request if you call 0345 045 1370. Any students that have deferred places must apply via a paper application as the portal will not accept their date of birth for this transfer group.

If you have any questions about the application or online processes please refer to the booklet on their website "**Next Steps - Starting Secondary School; a guide for parents 2021-22**".

### **Parent Governor**

The Governors are looking for another parent to join the Board and have a letter to share with all parents. The Governors are an integral part of the school's strategic leadership and meet a couple times each half term. We are looking for someone with experience in personnel or finance in particular. The school also welcomes the Governors to make visits to the school so they can see what is happening for themselves. If you are interested, or have any further questions, then please call into the office who will be able to put you in touch with a member of the Governors.



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Rosettes at achievement assembly were presented to:

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Kestrel: Ledley, Bri  
Eagle: Tayla, Aston  
Kingfisher: Zach, Magdalena  
Woodpecker: Emma, Tyler  
Kiwí: Theo, Gracie  
Ostrich: Elena, Alisha  
Flamíngo: Jahziah, Jonathan  
Wren: Maya, Donny  
Gosling: Emilia, Arthur  
Duckling: Renaye, Jake  
Aviary: Jake, Ahsanur

Rosettes at achievement assembly were presented to:

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Kestrel: Isaac, Nadia, Amírah  
Eagle: Ríean, Luke  
Kingfisher: Andrew, Alice  
Woodpecker: Hallie-Lyn, Jacob  
Kiwí: Charlie C, Arianne  
Ostrich: Joshua, Sophie  
Flamíngo: Alishah, Dylan  
Wren: Ruby, Logan  
Gosling: Kyra, Mustufa  
Duckling: Hamish, Tommy  
Aviary: Robynn, Kye

Rosettes at achievement assembly were presented to:

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September

Kestrel: Shanice, Lucy, Louie  
Eagle: Halemma, Destiny, Zaleeka  
Kingfisher: Raaida, Riley-Jay  
Woodpecker: Rano, Justin  
Kiwí: Kane, Lavinia  
Ostrich: Charlie S, Bella  
Flamíngo: Mark, Gabriella  
Wren: Areeba, Ray  
Gosling: Theo, Lena  
Duckling: Finley, Stan  
Aviary: Michael, Mahreen