

# Shelford School News

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Shelford School Website: [www.shelfordschool.org.uk](http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk)

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## Website replacing newsletter

You will have noticed, week by week, that we are directing you more and more to our school website as the main source of information about all aspects of school life. I hope that you are beginning to use this more and finding this an efficient way of finding information. I hope that you are especially enjoying the class pages with information about the learning taking place in class. Please do let me know if there is anything else that could helpfully be included.

This week I have removed the calendar dates from the bottom of the newsletter and placed them on the home page of the website as a pdf. The calendar function on the website will just give the overall term dates.

The newsletter will eventually become a short list which directs you to new or additional content on the website.

## Volunteer Helpers

Please follow the following link to find the next induction session and please book your place via the school office so that an information pack can be prepared for you.

[https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/volunteer\\_helpers/347866/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wNC0yNSAxMTowOToxNA%3D%3D](https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/volunteer_helpers/347866/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wNC0yNSAxMTowOToxNA%3D%3D)

## An overview of the half term ahead:

- To help children in their learning:
  - Classroom learning inside and outside
  - Extra curricula clubs
  - Trips and visits (Year 4, Reception)
  - Sports trips and visits (Yr 4 Tennis, Yrs 5 & 6 Netball)
  - Outdoor Learning Curriculum Days
  - Ascension Service and picnic
  
- To help children play a part in our school community:
  - House Time
  - School Council ( 27<sup>th</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> May)
  - PTA summer fair
  
- To help children share their learning:
  - Mr Cuff and Mrs Evans to observe Maths learning in class
  - Assessments (especially Yrs 2 & 6 SATs)
  - Choir and Orchestra Concert

Enjoy the sunshine! Kind regards, Mrs Evans

*Be Happy. Be Busy. Be Safe. Be Healthy. Be Organised. Reflect. Celebrate. Be an Enthusiastic Learner.*

## Free school meals

As from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018, more families will be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM). The new income threshold for the **Free School Meals (FSM)** will be £7,400 net (take home pay). If you would like to apply, please complete a **Free School Meals (FSM) form** on the following website [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

## Affordable childcare information for parents

The Government launched its 30 hours extended entitlement for 3- and 4-year-olds in September 2017. Working parents of younger children may find information about this extended childcare entitlement useful, and tax-free childcare has now been extended to children up to the age of 12 for out of school and holiday care.

The Government's Childcare Choices website, <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>, offers parents information on all the available childcare entitlements. Any enquiries on 30 hours extended entitlement can be sent to [30HoursChildcare@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:30HoursChildcare@cambridgeshire.gov.uk).

| Celebration assembly achievements - Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2018   |  |
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| <p>This half term's <b>Secrets of Success</b> focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Push yourself</li></ul>   |  |
| <p>Headteacher's Award (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deacon Jones</li><li>• Molly Carrothers</li><li>• Toby Woodcock</li><li>• Abigail Day</li><li>• Christopher Lewis</li><li>• Oliver Milne</li><li>• Filip Bredborg</li></ul> |  |
| <p>Star Writer (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>   |  |
| <p>Maths Investigator Award (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>  |  |
| <p>Pen Licence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>  |  |
| <p>Music:</p> <p>Grade 1 Piano – Harry Chatwin</p>   |  |
| <p>Golden Mile – 5 Miles (2 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>   |  |
| <p>Golden Mile– 10 Miles Bronze (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Eleanor Crew</li></ul>   |  |
|  | <p>Golden Mile– 25 Miles Silver (4 house points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>  |
|  | <p>Golden Mile – 50 Miles Gold (4 house points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Magnus Melton</li></ul>            |
|  | <p>Celia (10 house points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>                         |
|  | <p>Cyril</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not awarded this week</li></ul>   |
|  | <p>Care of Books (2 house points per class member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year 6</li></ul>                |
|  | <p>Dinner winners (2 house points per class member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year 6</li></ul>               |
|  | <p>Silver bins (2 house points per class member)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year 2</li><li>• Year 4</li></ul> |
|  | <p>This week's house winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Eagles</li></ul>                                     |

## Sports news

For further information regarding sports news and write-ups, please see the sports page under the 'Curriculum & Enrichment' section on the website.

## Netball

Please note that there will be a tournament on Tuesday 1 May. Further details will be issued nearer the time.

## **Individual parent/ music teacher consultations and taster sessions**

During SATs week (May 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>) there will be no instrumental lessons. In their place, the music teachers will offer a consultation to parents of children who are currently registered with them and a taster session for anyone who will be in year 2 or above, who would like to try out an instrument before signing up with one of our music teachers. The choices are Woodwind (Miss Roberts), Brass (Mr Smith), Piano (Mr Bond), Strings (Mrs Hopkins), Guitar (Mr Boutwood), Cello (Ms Johnson).

Please be aware that places for instrument learning are limited and your child may be placed on a waiting list until a place becomes available. Children are sometimes permitted to learn two instruments but only if this is first checked with the school, so that the time out of class does not affect learning in other subjects. All children in Year 3 and Year 4 learn the recorder as part of their class music lessons.

If you would like to have this annual consultation with your child's music teacher, please contact the school office. If your child would like a taster then please also speak to the school office to arrange this.

## **Guitar Lessons**

There are still some spaces for guitar lessons, so if your child is interested, please contact the office.

## **Woodwind Lessons**

There are currently two spaces available for children who would like to learn flute, clarinet or saxophone. If your child is interested, please contact the office.

## **Limiting illness in school**

For further information, please use the following link to our school website:

[http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/website/guidance\\_on\\_absence\\_for\\_common\\_illnesses/216944](http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/website/guidance_on_absence_for_common_illnesses/216944)

## **Dinner Money**

For information regarding school dinner money, please use the following link:

[https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/online\\_payments\\_for\\_school\\_dinners\\_trips\\_etc/201808/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxMzo1MDowNQ==](https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/online_payments_for_school_dinners_trips_etc/201808/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxMzo1MDowNQ==)

## **Medicines in school**

For information regarding medicines in school, please use the following link to our school website:

[https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/administering\\_medicines\\_in\\_school/216948/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxNDowMjoxMg==](https://shelfordschool.eschools.co.uk/website/administering_medicines_in_school/216948/cHJldmld3x8MjAxOC0wMS0xNyAxNDowMjoxMg==)

## **School Uniform**

For further information, please use the following link to our school website:

<http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/website/uniform/171288>

## **Payment for book bags, recorders etc.**

When paying for items available from the office, please **bring the correct money** as the office does not keep any petty cash for change. Prices are as follows:

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|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Book bags</b> £6.00 | <b>Recorder books:</b> £4.00 | <b>Recorders:</b> £9 or £16 | <b>School hats:</b> £2.50 |
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**PTA News**  
**25<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

Hello everyone,

The Summer Fair countdown has started – one month to go and it'll be a royal treat this year! Please look out for messages from your reps about your stalls and rotas. And see below for other help that would be much appreciated.

Thank you.

The PTA team.



THANK you bakers and eaters! Year 5 raised a cracking £142, with the inspired addition of lollies (thanks SO much!!). Year 5, you are now top of the **cake** leader board, followed by Reception (£124.20) and Year 2 (£119.86).



Thank you too for helping the **2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform** sale to raise £48!

After a massive sort of our uniform stocks we can now easily lay our hands on things – so if you suddenly need something between sales just ask via Classlist or [pta@shelfordschool.org.uk](mailto:pta@shelfordschool.org.uk). Please leave any uniform donations in the PTA drawer in the Office. Thank you!



Do you have any **bric-a-brac** for the Summer Fair? Please contact [sarah-haigh@live.co.uk](mailto:sarah-haigh@live.co.uk) to arrange handover/collection, or leave in the bric-a-brac box in the Office. Thank you!



70% of us are now on **Classlist**. Please keep feeding back how you are finding it – good and bad! If you are ready to join you can do this via your invitation email or directly at [www.classlist.com](http://www.classlist.com). Thanks again reps for helping the sign up.

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If you are looking for the calendar, you will find this on the bottom of the home page on the school website under link and downloads.