



Shenley Primary School: Happy – United – Inspired

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At Shenley Primary School, we are fully committed to the safeguarding of pupils and take online safety seriously. With the support of parents, we proactively teach our pupils how to keep safe.

Apple tasting

EYFS had a fantastic time apple tasting on Tuesday, thank you to Liz from Shenley Park. The children tasted several varieties of apples and compared the flavours, which were delicious!

Owl and Raptor visit

We were amazed at how silently the owls flew over our heads when they came to visit. Y6 also had an opportunity to meet and draw Zazu the Southern White Faced Owl. Thank you to Miss Gallagher for arranging this great event and to the PTA for funding this experience for us.

Rabbi Lebrecht Shenley Synagogue

It was good to meet the new Rabbi from Shenley United Jewish Community. He taught us about Sukkot, and the shelters Jews build to celebrate their Harvest. We are looking forward to working with the new Rabbi again and broadening our views on all faiths.

Remembrance Day

Rev Sarah came to school to lead our Remembrance Day assembly this Friday. The children from Y1 went to the War Memorial on Sunday to lay our school wreath. Archie and Sonny read Remembrance Day poems to represent our school. On Monday 11th November we joined George, the Herts bagpipe player, at the War Memorial at 11am and presented a wreath. It's good to remember. Years 1,2 and 5 went to represent our school and we were proud to have 2 children from year 5 reading the Ode to Remembrance.

Children In Need Day

The children can come to school wearing odd coloured socks or something spotty for Children In Need Day. We will be raising money for Children In Need online, please follow this link to donate: <https://www.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/donate/> This will also be the day of the PTA Disco, please come along and join us.

Baby Congratulations!

We would like to congratulate Miss Atkinson on the safe arrival of Baby Rosie, mother and baby are doing well.

Bishop Jane

It was quite an experience to meet Bishop Jane and Donart was dressed as a Bishop for the assembly! The children had thought of some really challenging questions for the Bishop and kept her on her toes answering. Thank you to Rev Sarah for organising this special occasion for us.

Dogs Trust

We had two brilliant days of workshops run by Darcy from the Dogs Trust and all the children are now experts at being safe around dogs and reading a dog's mood by looking out for visual clues. Thank you to Mrs Jacobs for organising this very informative visit!

Competition Winners

Well done to Mr Donnellan and Y3 on winning a free class trip to the Making of Harry Potter Studio tour. The trip will take place sometime in the spring term, please keep an eye out for a letter with more details.

Rachel Amos (Headteacher)

Diary dates



HALF TERM

4 & 5/11/24 Dogs Trust visit
7/11/24 Year 2 Stay & Learn
8/11/24 Remembrance Day assembly
10/11/24 War Memorial
11/11/24 War Memorial
14/11/24 Year 1 Stay & Learn
15/11/24 Children In Need day
15/11/24 PTA Disco
21/11/24 EYFS Stay & Learn
22/11/24 Individual photos
27/11/24 Flu vaccinations
28/11/24 Mufti Day – PTA raffle/tombola donations
29/11/24 **Occasional day** no school
5/12/24 Pantomime Dick Whittington
10/12/24 EYFS Christmas performance 9.30am
12/12/24 Flu vaccinations
12/12/24 KS1 and Y3 Christmas performance 1.30pm
13/12/24 Mufti Day – PTA raffle/tombola donations
16/12/24 KS2 Christmas service 6-7.00pm
18/12/24 Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
19/12/24 PTA Christmas Fair
20/12/24 **Last day Autumn term**
Finish 2pm

Please remember that you can sync your smartphone calendar to the school calendar from the website. Click [here](#) for more info.

Letters and Courses

Please look on our website where you will find copies of letters sent home this month:

<https://www.shenleyprimary.co.uk/letter-s-home/>

For courses available to parents, go to:

<https://www.shenleyprimary.co.uk/courses-for-parents/>

October's Attendance:

Please ensure that your children attend regularly and **arrive on time**.

Nursery – 90.2%
Reception – 88.7%
Year 1 – 89.3%
Year 2 – 90.6%
Year 3 – 90.3%
Year 4 – 84.2%
Year 5 – 93.6%
Year 6 – 95.6%

Whole-school: 90.6%

Safeguarding

Stay safe on bonfire night:

<https://capt.org.uk/lessons-for-little-ones/>

Keep pets indoors.

Teach children basic fire safety and how to have fun safely.

“If we are to create peace in our world, we must start with our children.” Gandhi