



Shenley Primary School: Happy – United – Inspired

Newsletter 1 – September 2024



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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.

Welcome to Shenley Primary School!

We would like to welcome back all the children, parents and staff to a new school year at Shenley Primary School! We are very excited to welcome some new children and families amongst us, please ask any questions you may have as we are a friendly school and everyone is very helpful. Please read the school website, www.shenleyprimary.co.uk each class has their own page, which is updated regularly, so that you can share in your child's learning.

We would also like to welcome:

- Miss Azzopardi as our new Deputy Head Teacher, and Y6 class teacher,
- Mrs Murniati as our new Year 5 teacher,
- Mr Behzadi as our new HLTA (covering for Mrs Winsor)

Please make them all feel welcome to the Shenley Primary School community. Miss Azzopardi is our new Deputy Head Teacher and I am sure that she will make a great contribution to our leadership team. Miss Gallagher continues as our SENCo and joins Miss Azzopardi in teaching Year 6. Mrs James is now a fully qualified teacher in Year 2. All the staff look forward to working with you and your children this school year.

Goodbyes

We are sorry to let you know that Mrs Henman has decided to retire, due to family illness, she will be sadly missed. She has made a significant contribution to the school over 22 years. I'm sure you would like to join me in wishing her well for her retirement, our thoughts are with her.

School uniform

We are looking forward to seeing all the children looking smart in their school uniform. Please ensure that the uniform policy is followed <https://www.shenleyprimary.co.uk/school-uniform/> If your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium grant we can provide some uniform, if you think you may be eligible for the Pupil Premium grant please contact the school office, or follow the link: <https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/at-school/free-schoolmeals/free-school-meals.aspx>

Changes

Please ensure that you update your contact details at the beginning of this school year using Arbor. Please remember to bring in medication for your child including inhalers and update the school with any changes to health conditions for your child in order to keep our records up to date.

Nursery funding

If your child is eligible for 30 hour funding for Nursery, please ensure that you have signed up for this and have received your code ready to share with the office. Please click on the link below to find out if you are eligible for any Early Years Funding <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

Parent coffee afternoon

We would like to extend an invitation for you to join us for a coffee afternoon on Friday 13th September at 2.30pm. We would appreciate meeting our new parents alongside familiar faces.

Harvest assembly

We will be having our Harvest assembly on Thursday 26th September, hosted by Rev Sarah. All produce donated will be gratefully received by Borehamwood Food bank.

Rachel Amos (Headteacher)

Diary dates



2/9/24 INSET day
3/9/24 First day Autumn term
11/9/24 Apple juicing Shenley park
13/9/24 2.30pm Coffee afternoon
26/9/24 Year 6 Stay & Learn
3/10/24 Year 5 Stay & Learn
10/10/24 Year 4 Stay & Learn
16/10/24 Parents' evening 3.30-7.30pm
17/10/24 Parents' evening 3.30-6.00pm
24/10/24 Year 3 Stay & Learn

28/10/24 HALF TERM

7/11/24 Year 2 Stay & Learn
14/11/24 Year 1 Stay & Learn
Individual photos – date TBC
15/11/24 Children In Need day
21/11/24 EYFS Stay & Learn
27/11/24 Flu vaccinations
29/11/24 Occasional day no school
10/12/24 EYFS Christmas performance 9.30am
12/12/24 Flu vaccinations
12/12/24 KS1 Christmas performance 1.30pm
16/12/23 KS2 Christmas service 6-7.00pm
18/12/24 Christmas lunch
20/12/23 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!

Letters/Emails

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

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

2023-2024 Attendance:

Please ensure that your children attend regularly and arrive on time, this makes such a difference to their access to learning.

September 93.5%	March 89.4%
October 90.5%	April 94.4%
November 92.2%	May 90.1%
December 93%	June 91.4%
January 93.3%	July 91%
February 92%	

Remember our aim is for all children to be in school at least 97% of the time...we can do this!

Safeguarding

Staff refresh their safeguarding training each year. If you are a volunteer, or you would like to be a volunteer in school, please contact the school office in order that you can have safeguarding training for the new school year.

“The beginning is always today.” Mary Shelley