Shenley News

Friday 6th November 2026 ***Autumn term 2: issue 1***

Welcome back to autumn 2 - what a start we have had! Well done everybody for returning to school with a positive attitude and valued behaviour - it has been wonderful to see our STARS values in action.
Thank you to Squirrel Class families who attended this week's Stay and Learn - it was wonderful to welcome you into school.
A big thank you to the PTA for organising this evening's discos. I look forward to seeing many of you there - thank you for supporting our school.
Thank you too to Miss Azzopardi (our PTA staff link) and all the Shenley staff who will be helping at the discos.
Recently, I got married and I now have a different surname. Moving forward, my name is Mrs Barone (I thought I should share this with you in case you wonder who Mrs Barone is!).
I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Staff shout outs!

Our Shenley staff work incredibly hard every day to support, inspire and care for our pupils. If a member of staff has made a positive difference to your child or family, we would love to hear about it. Your kind words are greatly valued and help us celebrate the dedication and impact of our team.
Please fill in the information by clicking the link below and your 'Shout Out' will be shared with the member of staff. Thank you for making someone's day!

Staff Shout Out Link

Lunchbox Trolley

This week, we have been focusing on valued behaviour in the hall at lunchtimes including taking care of school property, safe eating and polite manners.
From Monday, we will be introducing the lunchbox trolley!
It will in the playground before school for children in Fox Class - Squirrel Class who have packed lunch to put their lunchboxes on. Hedgehog Class will continue to take lunchboxes to their classroom.
At the end of the day, the trolley will be in the playground again so that children can collect their lunchbox from it to take home.



Odd Socks Day: Monday 16th November

Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week. Odd Socks Day 2026 is taking place on Monday 16th November. On this day, children are encouraged to wear odd socks with their usual school uniform (or PE kit if it is their PE day). It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!



Children in Need: Friday 13th November

We are supporting Children in Need on Friday 13th November.

On this day, your child can wear:

- **something spotty to school (with their usual school uniform or PE kit if it is their PE day)**
- **a Pudsey bear accessory (with their usual school uniform or PE kit if it is a PE day)**

You can donate to Children in Need by clicking this link:
https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/

School Photos

On Tuesday 10th, individual (and sibling) photos will be taking place. Children should wear their full smart school uniform on this day - if they have PE, they should bring their PE kit into school to get changed into.

Hedgehog Class

This week, our Hedgehogs had a blast learning about fireworks! The children had fun firework printing, developing their fine motor skills using buttons, and making glitter and playdough fireworks!
They also learned about firework safety and the history of bonfire night.







Squirrel Class Stay and Learn

Our Year 6 Stay and Learn session was packed full of mathematical fun as parents joined their children for a fast-paced fractions lesson! It was fantastic to see families getting stuck into the learning, working together and putting their fraction knowledge to the test. Thank you to the Year 6 team and everyone who was able to attend!

Squirrel Class has been exploring the exciting world of perspective art, learning how artists create the illusion of depth and distance in their landscapes. The children investigated how to use horizon lines and focal points to draw the viewer's eye into a scene, as well as how objects appear smaller the further away they are.











Celebrations!

Class	Star of the Week	Headteacher's certificate
Hedgehog class	Soraya	Loukas
Fox class	Penelope	Mason
Stag class	Sofia S	Tillie-Mae
Dormouse class	Khyla-Marie	Summer
Otter class	Poppy E	Michael
Squirrel class	Albie	Helicio



Whole school attendance this week was

92.4%



The class with the best attendance **(96.3%)** this week was **Otter Class** - well done for winning the attendance trophy!



Dates for your Diary

Please keep checking this section as dates may be added or amended.

November:

Monday 2nd: Children return to school at 8.45am
Thursday 5th - Squirrel Class stay and learn at 9am
Friday 6th - disco
Monday 9th - Remembrance Day assembly for children
Tuesday 10th - individual photos (including siblings)
Thursday 12th - Dormouse Class stay and learn at 9am
Friday 13th - Children in Need
- Squirrel Class Crucial Crew trip
Monday 16th - Odd Socks Day to start Anti-Bullying Week
Thursday 19th - Anti-bullying Week assembly for children
Thursday 26th - Otter Class stay and learn at 9am
Friday 27th - Occasional Day - school closed
Monday 30th - Hanukah assembly for children

December:

3rd December - Christmas Fair
-Stag Class stay and learn at 9am
8th – EYFS + KS1 Christmas show to families (1.45pm)
14th -KS2 carol concert (6pm) at the church
16th – Christmas jumpers and Christmas lunch
17th – class parties
18th – break up for Christmas at 2pm

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