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Shaftesbury Park Primary School

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Welcome back! We hope you have all had a restful break and are ready for lots more hard work during Summer 1!

BIN VICTORY BUT MORE TO DO



We complained recently about the amount of litter being left outside of our school, including dog mess. We are pleased to see that the council have now removed the bin, solving the problem. However we have noticed a new problem - where the bin once was there is now a c-shaped hole. In fact, around our school the pavements are not flat and anyone can trip and hurt themselves especially the vulnerable people in our community i.e. the elderly and young children. Dog mess also continues to be a problem. We will be writing the council with some of our ideas on how to solve these issues, including the idea of a dog litter bin.

By Macy and Myia

Right of the Month for April - Article 13
Every child must be free to say what they think.

Mr Smith goes to Chengdu

Over the Easter holidays, Mr Smith had a wonderful time in China as part of his work with the Churchill Memorial Fund.

Visiting Chengdu in Sichuan province, Mr Smith gave a demonstration and presentation on the British approach to mathematics to 200 parents and governors at Jinhui Elementary School, which was very well received.

Though he has now safely returned to us here at Shaftesbury Park, we look forward over the coming months to building on the connections made by Mr Smith on his visit and will be partnering with Jinhui Elementary to share professional practice and expertise. To mark the start of our partnership, Principal Fu even sent Mrs Richards a gift of this wonderful silk screen embroidery of the pandas that Chengdu is famous for. We very much hope to be able to welcome staff and pupils of Jinhui Elementary for a visit in the future.



Raising Aspirations Assembly

As part of our series of Raising Aspirations assemblies, we were very pleased this week to welcome Glen Calvert, founder & CEO of Affectv Ltd, Steve Jackson, entrepreneur at Xoomworks Ltd, and Harry Thompson, technology strategist and innovator at Kurtosys Systems Ltd to talk to us about their careers in the technology industry. As business leaders of rapidly expanding companies with a combined turnover in excess of £26 million, our special guests spoke with the children on a number of topics including advertising, app development and entrepreneurial skills, all things that they are clearly experts in. A huge thank you to our special guests for coming to share their experiences with us.

Chess

From Tuesday 18th April we are delighted to announce that we will be welcoming a teacher from Chess in Schools who will be teaching one lesson of maths per week in Years 4 and 5 based around learning how to play chess.



WHY CHILDREN SHOULD LEARN CHESS

Research shows a strong connection between learning chess and improving in mathematics.

In our increasingly digital world, chess helps children to develop crucial skills in decision making, problem solving and critical thinking as well as deductive and inductive reasoning, all absolutely essential for future success and achievement.

Game play teaches children about making judgements based on sound criteria, how to estimate as well as improving their ability to predict and anticipate consequences.

Chess also helps improve visual memory, attention span and spatial reasoning skills.



Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Please help us to get some new sports and cooking equipment by placing any Active Kids vouchers in the box at the School Office. Thank you in advance!

Attendance Superstars

A huge well done to all of the following children in red who received their bronze badges for 100% attendance for a whole term and those in blue who received their silver badges for two complete terms!

Zebra Harry	Tigers Dean, Dylan K, Tyler	Leopards Andre, Khalid, Niyah, Chloe, Jake, Lyra
Hedgehogs Zion, Sherianne	Badgers Mariam, Arthur, Nahom	Owls Iqra, Archie, Nyran Naim
Starfish Charlie, Glory, Shiqi, Monae	Seals Joshua, Justin, Nyla	Sharks Suleyman, Kornelia, Hamza, Noah, Megan, Ruby, Aiya, Njay
		Turtles Scarlett, Connor, Genesis, Ismael, Macy, Myia
		Dolphins Carl

DATES FOR THE DIARY

THIS WEEK

Thursday 21 st April	Meeting for parents of children in Y6 about SATs 3.30pm and 5.30pm	Parents of children in Dolphins class
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COMING SOON

Monday 25 th April	Meeting for parents of children going to Bournemouth 5pm	Parents of children going to Bournemouth
Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th April	Creative Week	-
Tuesday 26 th April	Headlice workshop with the School Nurse 2.30-3.30pm	Parents welcome
Friday 29 th April	SEND coffee morning at 9.00am	
Monday 2nd May	Bank holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED	
Tuesday 3 rd May	Creative week Presentations to FS/KS1 parents 9.30am	Parents welcome
Tuesday 3 rd May	Teethcare workshop with the School Nurse 2.30-3.30pm	Parents welcome
Thursday 5 th May	Creative week Presentations to KS2 parents 9.30am	Parents welcome
Monday 9 th May	KS2 SATs week	-
Thursday 12 th May	Coffee morning at 9.00am - Open discussion	Parents welcome
Monday 16 th May	Meeting for parents of children going to Sayers Croft 5pm	Parents of children going to Sayers Croft
Monday 16 ^h May	KS1 SATs begin	-
Monday 16 - Friday 20 th May	Year 5/6 School Journey to Bournemouth	Year 5 and 6 children
Friday 27 th May	Last day of Summer 1	

Half term: 30th - 3rd June