



The Shaftesbury Park News

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Children are back to school on Wednesday 7th September

Just a few important upcoming dates for the next academic year!

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| Wednesday 7th September | Children return to school |
| Tuesday 13th September | <p>Welcome evening for parents 3:30 & 5:00pm - KS1 (Badgers, Hedgehogs, Foxes & Owls) <i>Focus: Phonics/reading, calculation policy, FoSP</i></p> <p>4:15 & 5:45pm - KS2 (Starfish, Penguins, Seals, Sharks, Turtles, Dolphins) <i>Focus: Timetables, calculation policy, reading and home learning, FoSP</i></p> |
| Tuesday 20th September | <p>Welcome evening for parents 3:30 & 5:30 - Foundation Stage (Tigers & Leopards) <i>Focus: Phonics and reading</i></p> |
| Thursday 6th October | Individual Photographs |
| Thursday 13th October | Harvest Celebration at the Ascension Church - 2pm |
| Friday 14th October | Parent & Teacher Social & Film night (details to follow) |

****Half-term****

Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October

Please see September's Shaftesbury Update for the full calendar of dates for Autumn 1

Important Information

To pay school dinner money online:

<http://www.scopay.com/shaftesburyparkprimary-wandsworth>

To buy uniform online:

<http://shaftesburypark.gooddies.co.uk/>

*Have a great holiday
everyone!*

Dolphins



What a fantastic last half term for Dolphins! We have been busy learning our lines for our play, 'Cinderella and Rockerfella', and I have been very impressed with the efforts that they have all put in. We have learnt about fairgrounds as part of our IPC topic - designing our own theme park, thinking carefully about how much it would cost to run for one day and what the entry cost would be. We enjoyed learning about forces by creating our own loop the loop rollercoaster with marbles and piping, thinking about which forces are acting upon the marble. We wrote some fantastic setting descriptions about a haunted, spooky funfair which contained advanced punctuation and excellent adjectives. Finally, we all loved our trip to Chessington World of Adventures. We loved the roller coasters there! What a term! I'm very proud of you all!

Turtles



What a way to end the year! It has been a great last half term for the Turtles class! We have really enjoyed learning about the impacts of technological progress in our IPC topic: "At What Cost?". Our studies taught us all about entrepreneurship and how the different advancements in technology and science have affected our society and the world around us. As part of our topic, children completed the Young Entrepreneur Fiver Challenge where they learned all about what it takes to sell their own product. In literacy, we carried on with our topic of technology and wrote some really amazing narrative pieces about a time travel machine that took our characters to historical moments in time. The students also really enjoyed going to Reed's Academy to partake in a sports day and the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment got us all up and moving with the interactive performance. What a term and what a year! Congratulations Turtles class!

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News and information from classes

Sharks What a half term! We have been so busy in the Sharks class that the last six weeks have flown by! We started off the half-term rehearsing our 'La Bamba' song and making our t-shirts for the summer fete. Thank you to everyone who came along on that day to support us. As part of our I.P.C. Topic 'Shaping Up' we learned all about keeping our body's healthy and looked at the Olympic Games 2016 in Rio! Sharks continued to work on writing instruction texts. It was so much fun creating a healthy recipe for our friends to cook using imperative verbs! We revised time in Maths and have mastered the 24 hr clock. Our swimming continued, where we practised front crawl, back stroke and jumping in the deep end! I have enjoyed teaching my fabulous Sharks this year so much and I wish you all a wonderful summer holiday. Well done!



Seals What a jam packed half term it has been for the Seals. We were so inspired by the sights and sounds we experienced on our visit to the rainforest cafe that we transformed our classroom into a rainforest and shared all our learning from this topic with our families. In literacy we finally finished reading 'How to Train your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell and reviewed the book by talking about our favourite characters and events in the story. If you are looking for a summer read then the next book in the series is called 'How to be a pirate.' The children really impressed me when they sat their end of year assessments recently and their results showed that they have been listening and learning all through the year. Well done everyone! I am really looking forward to teaching the class again next year and would like to thank you all for the brilliant support you have given to the Seals class this year. Have an amazing summer.



Starfish We have had a very busy and enjoyable term. We have become experts at problem-solving in maths, we understand how to measure mass, volume and length confidently. We have also become familiar with the 4 and 8 times tables. In literacy we have created fantastic non-fiction placemats about various rainforest animals, written descriptive paragraphs about the rainforest and written imaginative stories based in a rainforest. Our IPC topic Saving the World has encouraged us all to learn about the people of the rainforest, the medicines and it has also helped us to understand the concept of deforestation and forest sustainability. We had a wonderful time visiting The Rainforest Cafe, we enjoyed learning about the various rainforest animals, the foods and medicines the plants provide! We all thoroughly enjoyed Sports Day too. I can't believe it is the end of the year already! Have a wonderful summer holiday.



Foxes I cannot believe we have come to the end of the school year in Foxes! There has been so much to do in this last half term, that it has just flown-by! In our topic 'Hooray we're going on holiday!', we went on an imaginary trip to Paris and wrote postcards home and even did a bit of French role-play at the airport and at a French café. It was brilliant too, because we got to practise it for real at Mme Lavécot's and my café at the school fete! What a fantastic day it was and thank you so much to all those that came along. Last week, we also had our school Sports Day and what a fantastic day that was too! The Foxes have a few star athletes to watch out for I think! We are currently working on helping the children's transition into Key Stage 2 but I just know that these little fox cubs are going to do fantastically in Year 3 and beyond! Merci à tous et bonnes vacances!



Owls Wow we have already come to the end of the school year! Owls children can definitely give themselves a good pat on the back for all their efforts and achievements this year, well done Owls! This term the children have classified animals according to their features and have learnt how to sort animals using a venn diagram. We have explored height and weight and have made bar graphs to show the weights of all the children in our class. We all had a blast at the schools' Sports Day, well done to all the teams! This term we have begun Year three transition work to prepare the children for their new year group, all children have adapted well. Please continue to read with your child every day at home. Thanks to all the parents of Owls class for supporting me with your children's learning this year. Have a great Summer!



Badgers Wow, it's already the end of the academic year! The children have had a fantastic time working on the topic 'From A to B' during which they learnt about the different ways that vehicles move in English and French. In Literacy I had a great time reading the children's own version of 'Handa's Surprise'. In Maths Mastery the children consolidated their understanding of numbers to 100 by solving a range of interesting problems about money and we even had a go at Sudoku! Other highlights this term include our wonderful sharing assembly and our very successful Sports Day. I hope that you all have a wonderful summer break and whilst I am saddened that the school year has come to an end, I am so proud of how hard you have all worked. Take care everyone and see you soon!



Hedgehogs We can't believe it's nearly the end of the year but what a fantastic time we've had! The Hedgehogs have worked extremely hard and I have been very proud of their progress. We've had a busy half term which we kicked off with our fantastic class assembly. The children who were able to come also performed very well at the Summer Fete which was a huge success. We had a great Sports Day and the children were excellent team players; thank you to the parents who were able to attend and support us. The Hedgehogs have really enjoyed their swimming lessons and I have been amazed at how far they've come. They are starting to use front crawl and have even enjoyed jumping in the deep end! Thank you for the support you have given the children this year, I hope you all have a wonderful summer and I wish you all the best for the future. I shall miss all of my lovely Hedgehogs very much!



Leopards The Leopards have loved our last Up, Up and Away topic and have learned lots about space including what it's like to be an astronaut and all about the planets. At the beginning of the topic we had a planetarium visit and it was fantastic to see all the stars when it was pitch black. We celebrated our graduation to year 1 and all the fantastic work that the children have been doing in the foundation stage and we all had fun at sports day on our different coloured teams. We are now getting ready to transition to year one, including visiting the new classroom and talking about what we're looking forward to and what we might be a bit scared about. It has been a fantastic year in the Leopard class and we wish everyone a restful, fun, fabulous holiday!



Tigers The Tigers have thoroughly enjoyed our Up, Up and Away topic. We were amazed as we flew into space in our gigantic Planetarium. We have been solving addition and subtraction problems with moon rocks. We have been inviting aliens to tea on planet Zum Zee, not to mention saving the planet with giant underpants! The Tigers know a lot about Space! We have celebrated our brilliant learning achievements in our Graduation. We all proudly stood up in front of our audience. The Tigers tested their fitness and team work skills, gathering points at our Sports Day. What an amazing summer fete! We performed fantastic songs and dance and played lots of games. Now we are busy finding out about becoming a Year One. How exciting! Remember to read every day; try the Summer Challenge at your library! Thank you to all the families for your great support throughout the year. It has been a wonderful journey with the Tigers. I am going to miss you all. Have a wonderful summer holiday!



Zebras Wow! What a term and what a year! We have had a great half term learning all about space especially learning the planet songs and our special visit from the planetarium. The Zebras have made so much progress with their learning this year and I have enjoyed watching each and every one of them grow and develop in their confidence and ability. We have spent time visiting our new teachers and spending time in our new classes. We thoroughly enjoyed our sports day and taking part in our teams. The children learnt and performed our kite song at the Summer fair with great actions and enthusiasm! I would like to thank all our wonderful parents and carers for your amazing support throughout the year. I wish everyone a safe and happy summer and looking forward to seeing some of our children returning to the Zebras in September whilst the others continue their learning journey into reception.

