

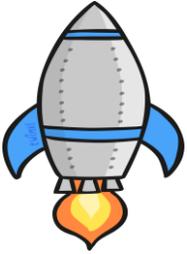


Shaftesbury Park Primary School

Shaftesbury Update

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Welcome to the first Shaftesbury Update of this academic year!



Shoot to the Moon!

This year, we are introducing a new system to recognise and celebrate the achievements of our children in our weekly praise assemblies called 'Shoot to the Moon!' Not only will the winners' names feature in the Shaftesbury Update, but they will also be on display on the fantastic new 'Shoot to the Moon' board in the Office and in the Praise Winners book!

Safety notices

As the 25th anniversary of the UNICEF Convention of the Rights of Child approaches, we would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of a few ways in which we can all help keep safe the children of Shaftesbury Park Primary School.

'Children have the right to ... a clean and safe environment' (Article 24)

Please don't park, stop or wait on the **Zig Zag lines** outside of the school during restricted times. The reason all schools have these lines is simple; these lines mark where many children will be crossing the road to get into the school and therefore cars pulling in and out of this area at these times are more likely come into contact with a child. The roads surrounding our school already have limited visibility because of many parked cars and trees, so it's even more important that both pedestrians and drivers are aware of the dangers. Blue Badge holders are not permitted to park on these lines either.

We would also ask that parents refrain from **smoking** outside of the school gates. Thank you.

Lastly, we would like to remind parents that **nuts and nut products are not permitted in school**. We have a number of children who have severe nut allergies which may be triggered by touching, inhaling or ingesting even the slightest trace or residue of the allergen, resulting in a severe, systemic, potentially fatal allergic reaction called anaphylaxis. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

School uniform

We are very impressed with how smart pupils' uniform is looking! Having trousers instead of jogging bottoms is much more flattering, particularly for older pupils. Having shoes instead of trainers really does make such a difference to the overall look of uniform too. We know lots of children have new uniform at the moment and would request that you please label everything clearly! When up to 30 children in a class are taking off and putting on jumpers and cardigans all day, many with no names, it is very hard to keep track of them.

Announcement

It is with great sadness that we inform the school community of the death of Fiona Pascoe, mum of Learah, and former pupils Keshana, Reshanie and Tamar over the summer holidays. In lieu of flowers, Fiona's family have asked for donations to be made to the British Heart Foundation www.bhf.org.uk. Our hearts go out to Fiona's family and friends at this very difficult time.

Wet morning arrangements (Please note that the school gates will be open every day at 8.40am)
 With rainy, windy autumnal mornings on their way, we would like to remind/ inform all parents of our wet morning arrangements:

Foundation Stage children should come straight into school to their classes.

KS1 children should wait in the ground floor hall for their classes to be collected

KS2 children should wait in the top hall for their classes to be collected.

Senior teachers will supervise the halls from 8:45am.

Upcoming dates this half term:

Tuesday 23rd September: Coffee morning with SENCo on new national changes to the SEN support and identification process.

Tuesday 23rd September: Welcome evening for Foundation Stage parents in your child's classroom at 3.30pm and 5.30pm (focus on supporting children with phonics/ reading)

Friday 26th September: We will hold a Macmillan Cancer Support cake sale and coffee morning at the school from 9am until 10am so please come along after dropping off your children to help us raise money (and have some coffee/tea and cake!). If you can, please donate (or even make!) cakes to help this excellent cause.

Tuesday 30th September: Meeting for those interested in Friends of Shaftesbury Park (FoSP) association at 5.30pm

Wednesday 1st October: Meeting for those interested in Friends of Shaftesbury Park (FoSP) association at 9am

Wednesday 21st October: Harvest celebration at 2pm in the Ascension Church on Lavender Hill

Shoot to the Moon winners!

Foundation Stage:	Key Stage 1:	Key Stage 2:
Zebras:	Badgers:	Starfish: Joshua & Mollie
Tigers:	Hedgehogs:	Sharks: Frankie & Megan
Leopards:	Owls:	Turtles: Angello & Renee
	Foxes:	Dolphins: Yanise & Callum
(Foundation Stage will be choosing winners from next week)	(KS1 will be choosing winners from next week)	



Do you enjoy writing? Are you up for the 100 Word Challenge?

Each week there will be a different prompt in the Shaftesbury Update. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to create a piece of writing which includes these exact words (in the order they are written) and you have a 100 word limit! You could write a story, letter, newspaper report, dairy entry or anything else you fancy.

Please post any entries in the Challenge Box in reception by the following Thursday to be in with a chance of your entry being published

This week's prompt is: **... but it is yellow...**