



SHILLINGSTONE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

GROWING TOGETHER · TOGETHER WE LEARN

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Dates for diaries:

Every Tuesday 9.05am to 9.30am

Parents are invited to join us for Church worship in the school hall

Thursday 7th November

9am – 9.30am Woodland class maths morning.

Friday 8th November

9.10am Ocean Class parent celebration assembly

Wednesday 13th November

Parent Consultation Meetings
 3.30pm – 5pm

Thursday 14th November

Nurse Drop in Session 9am
 Y6 Height & Weight Check
 Healthy Ted Talk to Reception Class

Friday 15th November

Y6 Children in Need Toy Sale and Non-Uniform Day

Thursday 21st – Friday 22nd November

Y5 Children Leeson House Residential

Friday 22nd November

2.45pm Jungle Class Parent Celebration Assembly

Friday 29th November

5.30pm – 7.30pm PTA Movie Night

Thursday 5th December

9am – 9.30am Woodland Maths Morning

For the body is not one member but many. Corinthians 12: 12-14

Growing Together. Together we learn.

Our vision reminds us that the body of Christ, or the people that are the whole of humanity, are a team. The body is not supported by one person, but by all of us. We are one; we are strongest working together in unity. As we all we work together we demonstrate our Christian values of **respect, compassion, friendship and trust.**



Our ambition is to: Celebrate diversity, Make a change, and Support families.

Thursday 7th November 2019

Dear parents,

Attendance

Whole school attendance from is 4.9.18 to 25.10.19 is 95.89 %

Attendance figures for each class for Autumn 1 :

Jungle Class –	Woodland Class –	Ocean Class -	Desert Class –
95.34%	96.74%	94.45%	97.16%

School attendance is vital for your child to reach their full potential. If your child is unwell, please ensure that you telephone the school office on the morning of the first day of absence. Your help with this is much appreciated.





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Please remember that term time holiday cannot be authorised by the head teacher – all term time holiday will be classified as unauthorised. Please be aware that term time holiday (10 sessions within a 12 school week period) must be referred to Dorset Local Authority and this could lead to a £60 penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child who misses school.

Rotary Shoebox Scheme

The completed Shoeboxes will be collected next week. If you have completed one please bring it in to school by Friday. There are still two empty shoeboxes at school if you need one. If you would like to bring in some items to put in a shoebox that is also helpful.

Leaflets with full details are in the school office.

Ocean Class Parent Assembly

Parents of children in Ocean class are invited to a celebration assembly on Friday at 9.10am.

Remembrance

Poppies and remembrance merchandise will be on sale daily at 3.15pm. We will be holding a service for children in school at 9am on Monday 11th November.

Nurse Drop-In Session – Thursday 14th November at 9am

The school nurse will be available at 9am on Thursday 14th November for any parent who would like to share a concern regarding their child. The session will be in a private room on a one to one basis.

Y6 Children in Need Day – Friday 15th November

Please start to look out unwanted toys and books in good condition ready for our Children in Need Toy Sale on Friday 15th November. The children would also like to hold a chocolate tombola, raffle and cake sale so donations of chocolate bars and cakes gratefully received along with any unwanted gifts we can raffle!

Y5 Leeson House Residential

On Thursday 21st November our Year 5 children will go on their residential trip to Leeson House. They will stay overnight and take part in various activities both during the day and evening. The children will be accompanied by Mrs Vail and Miss Ryan.





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Starting School for the first time in September 2020

If you have a child who is born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016 they will be due to start school in September 2020. Applications are open until 15th January 2020. Applications can be made online at www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/school-admissions Visits to the school are warmly welcomed if you would like your child to start at Shillingstone. Please contact the school office for an appointment

Aldi Kits for School

Aldi are handing out stickers for every £30 spent. We are collecting the stickers and if we collect 300 stickers by the end of the promotion in November we will receive a free kit for school and will be entered into a draw to win £20,000. If you shop in Aldi (nearest one Poole at the moment) please take your stickers in to school.

Eco tip of the week – Reduce – Repair-Recycle-Reuse

Change from liquid shampoo and conditioner in plastic bottles to solid bars. They are becoming available in supermarkets now and not just specialist shops and websites.

Parent Consultation Meetings

The next meetings will be held on Wednesday 13th November.

We would like to be able to meet with all parents. If you are unable to attend the days selected please speak to your child's class teacher on an individual basis to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet.

Hot School Meals Menu – Autumn 2

Please remember to order next half term's meals. The special Christmas dinner is on Wednesday 18th December. We like as many children as possible to join in having the Christmas dinner so order in plenty of time. The cost of the meal is £2.40





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PTA NEWS

"Send us to the Panto"



The Shillingstone Primary School PTA are currently hard at work organising events to raise funds to send all the children to see Jack and the Beanstalk at the Lighthouse in Poole on 16th December. This will be a fantastic event for all the children to enjoy in the lead up to the end of the school term.

We are raising funds to pay for the coach, and it would be great if you were able to support the PTA in any of the upcoming events.

Black Friday on 29th November, online shopping through TheGivingMachine

<https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/shillingstone-ce-va-primary-school/>

Christmas Movie Night on 29th November

Christmas Fair on Friday 6th December

Not forgetting TheGivingLottery which raises 40p for every £1 ticket sold.

<https://www.givinglottery.org.uk/support/shillingstone-ce-va-primary-school>

Thank you!

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher





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TGM Feature Cause November 2019



We are a village primary school situated in rural Dorset. Our PTA is made up by a small group of parent volunteers that are dedicated to raising funds that help support the school. We have an open door policy, where parents and families are actively encouraged to come into the school and where everybody is made to feel welcome. We are committed to providing high standards of learning for all children, following a varied and engaging curriculum.

Having the opportunity of being a feature cause on TheGivingMachine is fantastic news for us all at Shillingstone Primary School. We have been working hard to raise donations through our online shopping and TheGivingMachine has given us the chance in generating extra funding for our PTA to provide equipment, facilities and educational trips for our children.





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We are very excited about the donations we have raised and are really looking forward to generating more funds to enhance our children's learning and environment. So far, with the help of our PTA we have paid for a Mathletics subscription for every child in the school. This engaging online maths program enables our teachers to support the children's mathematics learning, with hundreds of lessons and activities, Mathletics is an online learning tool that brings out the joy in learning.

The other resource we are trying to raise money for this year is a PA system and loud speakers for our school hall, this will make it possible for the children to listen to music when they come into class assemblies as well as help with the whole school nativity and individual class productions.

It's fantastic news that TheGivingMachine can help us raise even more valuable donations by becoming a feature cause, it's the children who benefit directly from the money we raise. We are pleased to be working in partnership with TheGivingMachine and GivingLottery to raise as many donations as possible which will enable us to enrich the learning and development of our children.

TheGivingMachine's mission is to unlock as much free cash as possible for great causes across the UK by converting sales commissions for online purchases into free donations for the schools, charities and community groups close to your heart. Join us to reap the benefits of our free giving family.

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Thank you!

