



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

Friday 14th February 6pm-7pm

PTA Disco 6-7pm

Monday 17th – Friday 21st February

Spring Half Term Holidays

Monday 2nd March

Offer date for High School Places – September 2020.

Wednesday 4th March

Class Photograph

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day – Non school uniform – dress up as a favourite book character.

Friday 13th March

Sports Relief Day

Non School Uniform – Sports Kits

Saturday 14th March

PTA Quiz Night – Portman Hall

Monday 16th March

Parent Consultation Meetings
3.30pm – 7pm

Tuesday 17th March

9.30am Nurse Drop In Session
2.45pm – Jungle class celebration assembly.

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 13th February 2020

Dear parents,

Attendance

Whole school attendance from is 4.9.18 to 7.2.20 is 95.37 %

Attendance figures for each class for Spring Term 1 :

Jungle Class – 95.37%	Woodland Class – 96.47%	Ocean Class - 95.07%	Desert Class – 95.03%
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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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Dates for diaries:

Monday 23rd March

Parent Consultation Meetings

3.30pm – 5pm

class brass performance to

parents 2.40pm

Last after school club for Spring Term.

Thursday 26th March

9am Woodland Class Celebration

Assembly

Ocean Friday 27th March

2.30pm Celebration Assembly and choir performance.

Thursday 2nd April

9.10am – Ocean class celebration assembly.

2.30pm Music Assembly for parents of children who attend 1:1 music lessons with Caroline Cooper.

3.20pm – Weymouth Meeting for parents and children attending the residential trip in May.

Friday 3rd April

2.45pm Easter service in church.

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.

Hot School Meals

Menus for Spring Term 2 have gone home with the children. Please remember to go on to the local food links website and order meals for after half term so that your child does not miss out on their hot school meals.

Reduce – Reuse – Repair – Recycle

Change from liquid soap to bars of soap which reduces the amount of plastics thrown away. Either use a soap dish with a drainer or press a metal bottle top into the bar to stop it deteriorating into a liquid mess in the soap dish.

Reception Class Height, Weight & Hearing Checks

Just a reminder that these checks will be carried out on Tuesday 25th February. If you have not returned the form for the school nurse please remember to return it before this date.

Coronavirus – Advice for parents

The Department for Education has issued the following advice for parents and carers:

The government is closely monitoring the spread of the Coronavirus and is taking action at home and abroad.





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The overall risk of Coronavirus to the UK remains moderate. However we understand that people may be concerned where there are children, students or staff returning from or visiting China.

Public Health England and the Foreign Office have issued advice for anyone travelling to the area. This can be found at:

- <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/china>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-and-avian-flu-advice-for-travel-to-china>

Latest information and advice can also be found at:

- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

Advice for parents/guardians

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus.

There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

We recognise that some families or children may be planning to travel to China during the forthcoming half term period. If so, please refer to the FCO's latest travel advice via the link above.

What action you can take

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus.

Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.





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PTA News

Events coming up:

Valentines Disco



Quiz Night



The school will close for February half term tomorrow at 3.15pm. I hope that you all enjoy the holidays. School opens at 8.45am on Monday 24th February 2020.

Yours sincerely

Jane Whitehouse-Sharpe





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