



SHILLINGSTONE C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

GROWING TOGETHER · TOGETHER WE LEARN

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Dates for diaries:

W/C Monday 21st September

Reception children will come in to school for the full day.

After school clubs start.

Tuesday 20th October

Family and Individual school photographs. Further details nearer the time.

Thursday 22nd October

Whole school immunisation programme. Please check nearer the time for permission slips for your child to be immunised and send back to school in time for them to be included in the programme.

Friday 23rd October

Staff Training Day – No children in school.

Monday 26th October to Friday 31st October – Autumn Half Term Holiday

Monday 2nd November

Children return to school.

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 17th September 2020

Dear parents,

Just a few reminders for the start of term:

Absence – please ensure you telephone the school office if your child is unwell. Continue to keep the office staff informed of your child's absence until their return to school.

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea please keep them off school for 48 hours after the last episode.

Parking – please adhere to our car parking rules, do not park and leave your vehicle in the drop off zone. Only park in an allocated space and do not park on the roundabout – keep our children safe!

Attendance - School attendance is vital for your child to reach their full potential. 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





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Dorset Local Authority and this could lead to a £60 penalty Notice being issued to each parent for each child who misses school.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club opens at 8am. At the moment your child must bring their own food in a sealed container. Cost is £3 per session and places booked in advance through the school office. Preferred payment method at the moment is by cheque.

School Lunches

As you know we are only offering sandwich lunches for the first half term. Local Food Links have built a new website during the holidays. A letter with your child's codes has gone home with them so please remember to book your child's meals at least 7 days in advance.

KS1 Fruit & Vegetable Scheme

The government scheme is back up and running so if your child is in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 they will be provided with a piece of fruit or vegetable for break time.

Milk

If your child is under 5 they will be provided with a carton of milk for break time. If you do not wish your child to have the milk please let Mrs Bray or Mrs Panther know. If your child is over 5 you may pay for them to continue to receive a small carton of milk for break time. The scheme is operated by Cool Milk so please contact them if you wish to pay for your child to receive milk. Contact at www.coolmilk.com

PE Lessons

Please remember to send your child to school in their PE kit on the day that they are due to have PE. Also on the day they attend an after school club if they are signed up to a club.

Jungle Class – Tuesday and Friday;

Woodland Class – Tuesday and Friday;

Ocean Class – Monday and Wednesday;

Desert Class – Monday and Wednesday.





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Peripatetic Music Lessons

Caroline Cooper has asked us to let parents know that there is some availability for individual or group lessons. If you are interested in your child learning to play an instrument further details are available from the school office.

IT'S COMPETITION TIME!

During the month of September TheGivingMachine are running a fantastic Give 2 Win competition. Each week you have the chance to win a fantastic prize, plus a £100 donation for our school.

To enter, simply collect the Daily Bonus Donation by clicking the 'Collect Now' button on TheGivingMachine desktop or mobile website. You can enter once a day, every day for a week with each daily click counting as a competition entry. What's more, you will be collecting a free daily donation for Shillingstone CE Primary School just by entering the competition.

The competition started on Tuesday 1st September, so please help spread the word.

For more details please click the link below

[https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/news/view/give-2-win/?ct=t\(EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_give2win_270820\)](https://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/news/view/give-2-win/?ct=t(EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_give2win_270820))

Transferring to High School in September 2021

A letter has been sent home to Year 6 parents to let them know that applications are now open for parents to apply for a High School Place for September 2020. Applications are made online at www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/school-admissions Applications close on 31st October 2020.

Starting School for the first time in September 2021

If you have a child who is born between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 they will be due to start school in September 2021. Applications are open until 15th January 2021. 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.

Yours sincerely

Jane Whitehouse-Sharpe
Head Teacher

