



# Shelley First School Newsletter

## September 2019

Care, fairness and respect... No barriers to learning... Celebration and joy

### W elcome Back

We hope you all had a relaxing summer break and that everyone has returned feeling refreshed ready for the new school year. We also welcome our new pupils and their families in both Reception and higher up the school—we hope you will enjoy being part of our Shelley family.

### S taffing

We would like to welcome new staff members to the school this year.



Miss Moran has joined us as Assistant Headteacher to cover Mrs Smith's maternity leave.

Miss Ellam has joined us and will be teaching in Class Cook



Miss Haigh will be teaching in Class Cook on a Thursday.

Mr Ambler, the ICT Manager for our Trust, will also be in school every Wednesday.

### S chool Uniform



School uniform featuring our new school logo (shown at the top of the newsletter) can be purchased from Term Time Wear. They have a shop on St John's Road in Huddersfield, alternatively you can order online at [www.termtimewear.com](http://www.termtimewear.com)

Uniform with our previous logo is still acceptable and we do have a limited stock of items for sale at reduced prices. Please contact the School Office for more details as not all sizes are available.

### B ook Fair

We will be hosting a Book Fair in school on 18th, 19th and 20th September, after school in the Eco-lodge, between 3:30-4pm. There will be over 200 titles available for you and your child to choose from with prices starting at just £2.99. Every purchase made will help us to earn free books for the school library. If you are able to help man the book fair, please let the School Office know.





We are taking part in the Aldi 'Get Set to Eat Fresh' promotion.

From 6th September to 3rd November, families who shop in Aldi stores can receive Team GB stickers to send in to school. We have a poster in the school hall which, if we complete with all the stickers, enables us to claim sports equipment for school. By completing the poster we are also in with a chance of winning £20,000!!!

Stickers can be sent in with your child/ren or dropped off at the School Office. Many thanks for your support.

## Curriculum Newsletters

You can find a copy of the Curriculum Newsletter for each class, as well as the yearly overview, on the school website in the 'Classes' section. Information in relation to class trips and class assemblies will also be uploaded to the website. Please visit:

[www.shelleyfirstschool.co.uk](http://www.shelleyfirstschool.co.uk)

## Residential Meeting - Year 5

We will be holding a meeting about the Kingswood Residential (13th - 5th May 2020) for parents of Year 5 children. The meeting will take place on Monday 30th September, from 3:30pm, in Miss Dempster's classroom. Year 5 pupils are also welcome at the meeting.

**World Mental Health Day** is on **Thursday 10th October**. We are inviting



everyone to join in with a non-uniform day by wearing yellow and making a donation to YoungMinds—the UK's leading charity fighting for children and young people's mental health.

Pupils and staff can choose a subtle splash of colour or dress like sunshine from head to toe. We ask that everyone donates to help raise vital funds for YoungMinds. Please send cash in to school with your child—suggested donation £1. Thank you.

We will also be holding a Bake Sale for the children and request donations of biscuits, buns and cakes (yellow if possible!) which we will sell for between 20p and £1. Please send any cake donations on the day and if you would like your child to buy anything send money with them on the day.

## **Y**our Child's Progress

We want to keep you as informed as possible about how things are going at school. We will be offering the following as a minimum:

- Overview of the year
- Mini reports in October, January & July
- Formal report in April (Y1-5) & in July for Reception children
- Parents' Evenings in October & April with an Open Evening in July
- Curriculum newsletters which set out the learning per term
- Teachers will send home your child's individual targets each term
- Termly meetings for children with additional needs

We will speak to you if we have concerns of any kind about your child but please let us know if you are worried in any way. We will also send home letters later in the year if we have any concerns regarding your child.

Our SENCo, Mrs McGenity, can also offer a 'surgery' to parents of children with additional needs - she is in school generally on a Monday if you would like to ring the office and make an appointment to see her.

## **S**chool Council

We are making some adjustments to our School Council responsibilities. This year only Years 2 and 3 will be part of the Council but EVERY child will attend the meetings over the year and feedback to other classes and staff. Year 4 will have the responsibility of the Looking for Learning Council, Fire Marshalling plus Health & Safety. Year 5 will have the responsibility of being Play Leaders and RP legends.

## **S**chool Photos

Individual school photos will be taken on Tuesday 22nd October. If you have other children, older or younger, who do not attend Shelley First School and would like a photo of them with their Shelley FS sibling(s) please come into school between 8 - 8:45am via the main door. Thank you.



## **F**riends of Shelley School (FOSS):

Thank you to everyone who has taken part in the Smarties Summer Challenge. If you still have a tube of 20 pence pieces to return to school, please drop it in at the School Office as soon as possible.



FOSS Meetings for this half-term are as follows:

Tues 24th Sept - Christmas Fayre Planning

Thurs 10th Oct

Tues 22nd Oct - AGM

All meetings are at 7:30pm in the Eco-lodge.

## **S**chool Bags

A reminder that large bags are not appropriate for school as we simply do not have the room for them. If bags are too large for drawers please send in an alternative - book bags with water bottle holders are available from Term Time Wear and these are a suitable size and style for school. Thank you for your support.

## **H**omework

We have reviewed our Homework Policy to ensure that children can access this as independently as possible. We have decided to move away from the topic based portfolio towards a set of activities that are designed to match the work covered that week in class.

Please see the guidance at the end of the newsletter for an overview of what this will look like. Teachers will send out more information about this with homework books. You can expect homework to be sent home from Friday 13th September.

## **P**olite Notice

We strive to create a safe and secure environment for pupils and staff alike and we are committed to treating everybody with respect and courtesy.

We endeavour to give parents and family members a polite and effective response when contacting us.

We are very fortunate to have a large majority of kind and respectful parents and families however there have been recent instances when verbal abuse and inappropriate behaviour has been shown towards our staff. We kindly ask that everyone shows respect towards all members of our staff. Thank you.

## **T**rips:

Following parental feedback regarding payments for school trips, we will be making these available on ParentPay further in advance therefore allowing parents more time to plan and the opportunity to budget accordingly.

Some trips are shown in the calendar at the end of the newsletter and further information about these will be sent in due course.

## **F**ootwear



Please ensure that your child has the correct footwear in school. They should have supportive outdoor shoes suitable for running around in as well as indoor pumps. Please note, slippers that are 'open' at the heel and open-toed or flip-flop style shoes are not suitable as indoor shoes. Children will also need trainers for outdoor P.E. lessons.

## **B**ehaviour Policy

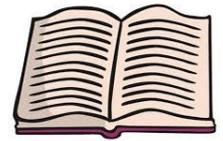
Our new behaviour policy is on the school website. Please have a look - it is in the 'Our School', 'Policies' section.

## **V**acancies and Volunteering

We have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor working Monday to Friday, 1hr 25min per day. Further details can be found on the Kirklees Council website or alternatively, please contact the School Office. We are also looking for casual Lunchtime Supervisors who could be available to cover when necessary. Again, please contact the School Office if you are interested.

If anyone is interested in volunteering in school, please contact the School Office - we are very grateful for any help we receive in school.

## **R**eadings **W**orkshop



Mrs Smith will be leading a reading workshop straight after school at 3:40pm on Thursday 26th September for parents of children in Years 1 to 5.

The workshop will last until approximately 4:20pm.

This workshop is for parents only however there will be a supervised room set up for school-age children if needed.

If you are able to come, please sign up on ParentPay to give us an idea of the number of attendees.

## **U**niform & Lost Property

Please help us by labelling all of your child's belongings - we already have a large selection of unnamed items in lost property. If your child has misplaced anything, please check lost property which can be found by the KS2 entrance and on the shelves by the rear KS1 entrance next to Miss Ellam's class.

# School Dinners

This is the current menu which will run up to October Half Term.

Dinners are priced at £2.25 per day.

If your child would like to change from school dinners to packed lunches or vice versa, we require at least one full week's notice.

**Week 1** Available daily: fresh bread, freshly prepared salad bar and drinking water

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Chicken Tikka Masala</b> <i>served with</i> Fluffy Wholegrain Rice & Naan Bread	<b>Oven Baked Sausage</b> or <b>Quorn Sausage &amp; Gravy</b> <i>served with</i> Creamed Potatoes & A Medley of Peas & Golden Sweetcorn	<b>Salmon Fish Cake</b> <i>served with</i> New Potatoes & Summer Salad	<b>Roast of the Day</b> <i>served with</i> Traditional Accompaniments Oven Roast & Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	<b>Crispy Crumbed Fish</b> <i>served with</i> Chunky Chips & Mushy Peas
<b>Jacket Potatoes</b> <i>served with</i> Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheesy Baked Beans & Side Salad	<b>Vegetarian Pasta Bake</b> <i>served with</i> A Medley of Peas & Golden Sweetcorn	<b>Homemade Loaded Vegetable Pizza</b> <i>served with</i> Summer Salad & Crunchy Coleslaw	<b>Cheese &amp; Onion Quiche</b> <i>served with</i> Oven Roast Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	<b>Quorn Spaghetti Bolognaise</b> <i>served with</i> Garlic Bread
<b>Sponge of the Day</b> <i>served with</i> Creamy Custard	<b>Homemade Biscuits</b> <i>served with</i> Fresh Milkshake	<b>Assorted Cupcakes</b>  <b>Fruit in Jelly</b>	<b>A Selection of Reduced Sugar Desserts</b>  <b>Organic Yoghurts</b>	<b>Seasonal Fruit Crumble</b> <i>served with</i> Creamy Custard
<b>Ice Cream Sundae</b>	<b>Lemon Drizzle Cake</b>	<b>Chunky Fruit Pots</b>		<b>A Selection of Home Baking</b>
<b>Fresh Fruit Salad</b>	<b>Fresh Fruit Kebabs</b>			<b>Chunky Fruit Pots</b>

**Week 2** Available daily: fresh bread, freshly prepared salad bar and drinking water

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Beef &amp; Onion Pie</b> <i>served with</i> Herby Diced Potatoes & Carrot Batons	<b>Southern Style Chicken</b> <i>served with</i> Potato Wedges & Crispy Mixed Salad	<b>Roast of the Day</b> or <b>Quorn Fillet</b> <i>served with</i> Traditional Accompaniments Oven Roast & Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	<b>Homemade Sausage Rolls</b> <i>served with</i> Crispy Sliced Potatoes & Baked Beans	<b>Golden Crumbed Fish Fingers</b> <i>served with</i> Chunky Chips & Garden Peas
<b>Quorn Dippers &amp; Barbecue Dip</b> <i>served with</i> Herby Diced Potatoes & Crudities	<b>Organic Penne Pasta</b> <i>served with</i> Italian Tomato Sauce & Garlic Bread	<b>Breaded Salmon</b> <i>served with</i> Oven Roast & Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables	<b>Quorn Balti</b> <i>served with</i> Fluffy Wholegrain Rice & Naan Bread	<b>A Selection of Filled Sandwiches in Assorted Breads</b> <i>served with</i> Chunky Chips & Apple Coleslaw
<b>Homemade Biscuits</b> <i>served with</i> Fresh Fruit Juice	<b>Hot Sweet of the Day</b> <b>Fruit Filled Meringues</b>	<b>A Selection of Reduced Sugar Desserts</b>  <b>Organic Yoghurts</b>	<b>Chocolate Sponge</b> <i>served with</i> Chocolate Sauce	<b>A Selection of Home Baking</b>  <b>Fresh Fruit Kebabs</b>
<b>Fresh Fruit Kebabs</b>	<b>Fresh Fruit Salad</b>		<b>Fruit Jelly</b> <i>served with</i> Ice Cream	
<b>Organic Yoghurts</b>			<b>Chunky Fruit Pots</b>	

If you would like to change your child's lunch arrangement, please complete the relevant form which is available from our website under 'Information for Parents' and then 'Forms'. Copies can also be collected from the entrance by the School Office.

## Dates for your diary....

Tuesday 17th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 1 &amp; 2 Cross Country at Shepley First School - 4pm</li> </ul>
Wed, Thurs, Fri 18th - 20th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Book Fair in the Eco-lodge, 3:30-4pm</li> </ul>
Monday 23rd September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GROW session for Class Priestley and Class Cook</li> </ul>
Tuesday 24th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 3, 4 &amp; 5 Cross Country at Thurstonland First School - 4pm</li> </ul>
Thursday 26th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reading workshop for Year 1 - 5 parents - 3:40pm</li> </ul>
Monday 30th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 5 Residential Meeting - 3:30pm</li> </ul>
Tuesday 1st October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS2 Girls' football competition - 4pm - venue TBC</li> </ul>
Wednesday 2nd October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NSPCC Assembly - presentation for parents 9-10am</li> </ul>
Wednesday 9th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reading/Writing/Number meeting for Reception parents— 6-7:30pm</li> </ul>
Thursday 10th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hello Yellow Day - Non-uniform &amp; Bake Sale</li> </ul>
Friday 11th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2 trip to Manchester Airport</li> </ul>
Tuesday 15th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2 multi-skills at Shelley College</li> </ul>
Wednesday 16th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents' Evening (1 of 2)</li> </ul>
Tuesday 22nd October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Individual School Photographs</li> </ul>
Wednesday 23rd October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class Moore assembly - 9am</li> <li>Parents' Evening (2 of 2)</li> </ul>
Thursday 24th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class Priestley assembly - 3pm</li> </ul>
Friday 25th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for half term</li> </ul>
Monday 4th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inset Day - school closed for pupils</li> </ul>
Tuesday 5th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children back in school</li> </ul>
Wednesday 6th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reception trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park</li> </ul>
Friday 8th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class Salt trip to Lawrence Batley Theatre</li> </ul>
Tuesday 19th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>KS2 Sports Hall Athletics at Shelley College - 4pm</li> </ul>
Monday 9th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Performance A - 9:15am</li> <li>Christmas Performance B - 2pm</li> </ul>
Tuesday 10th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Performance C - 9:15am</li> <li>Christmas Performance D - 2pm</li> </ul>
Thursday 19th December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Break up for Christmas holidays</li> </ul>

# Homework:

Key Stage:	Tasks:	Frequency:
EYFS	<p><u>Phonics:</u> Tasks related to work in school</p> <p><u>Sp&amp;L task:</u> Talking homework – anything to encourage them to talk for 5 minutes about a given subject and the importance of listening/turn taking.</p> <p>Story time – share a book with someone</p> <p><u>Letter formation:</u> Practice pencil control/grip in order to make meaningful marks at their own level (maybe letters or tracing shapes/lines)</p> <p><u>Maths:</u> Task set to mirror the learning in school (practical not written)</p> <p>Reading: Read my home reader as much as possible</p>	Homework is sent home each week and will cover aspects listed on the left but not necessarily at the same time.
1 (Yr1&2)	<p><u>Reading:</u> Reading of scribed book given from school</p> <p><u>Phonics/spellings:</u> Learn given spellings relating to phonics sounds/spelling pattern covered that week</p> <p><u>SPaG:</u> Write a simple sentence practice (Yr1) Use some of the SPaG covered that week within a sentence (Yr2)</p> <p><u>Maths:</u> Complete a worksheet to demonstrate understanding of a skill learnt that week. Times tables specified for year group Planet maths access</p>	<p>Several times weekly</p> <p>Several times weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p>
Lower KS2 (Y3&4)	<p><u>Reading:</u> Reading books</p> <p><u>Spelling practise:</u> Learn the given spellings to be tested that week</p> <p><u>SPaG:</u> Use some of the SPaG covered that week within 2-3 sentences.</p> <p><u>Maths:</u> Complete a worksheet to demonstrate understanding of a skill learnt that week. Times tables specified for year group Planet maths access</p>	<p>Several times weekly</p> <p>Several times weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p>
Upper KS2 (Y5)	<p>Reading: Reading books, sometimes comprehension tasks</p> <p><u>Spellings:</u> Learn the given spellings to be tested that week and put into sentences in correct context.</p> <p><u>SPaG:</u> Use some of the SPaG covered that week within a paragraph</p> <p><u>Maths:</u> Complete a worksheet to demonstrate understanding of a skill learnt that week. Times tables specified for year group Planet maths access</p> <p><u>Topic/further investigation (Sp&amp;L):</u> Topic related research project to share with class – children decide how to present and what information to collect.</p>	<p>Weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p> <p>Weekly</p> <p>Termly</p>
<b>Preparation for middle school</b>		