

Shawlands Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21st September 2018



It's been great this week to see school getting back into full swing again. Next week our baking and chess after-school clubs start as does the KS1 Provision multi-sports club (slips are being sent home today with the first session running on the 28th). This means children will have been able to choose from table tennis, baking, chess, Lego, film and book and multi-sports clubs and at lunchtimes the choir, recorder and Athletics clubs are also starting up as well, so hopefully there's something on offer for everyone!

Y5 and Y6 will have brought letters home yesterday for their residential trip next year. I am working with a company to try and offer a residential trip to London for Y3 and Y4 sometime in the Spring or Summer terms also. We appreciate that the costs of these trips are high and that not all parents will be able to afford them. Also, as deposits are required to be paid three weeks after the bookings are made, there is often not a lot of time to find the money for a deposit but having spoken to parents throughout the year it is clear that many of you do want us to still offer these visits.

Unfortunately, due to the recent bad weather and also the forecast for this Sunday, Aliza's Garden Party event has had to be postponed. Please see the message from the Aliza Team overleaf. We hope that you will all be able to join in the fun on **Sunday 7th October** instead.

Don't forget to look extra smart next Wednesday (26th September), as the Family and Individual photographs are taking place. If your child has any siblings who are not of school age and you would like a family photograph please come to the school office with all your children at 8.45am on that day.

Attendance and Lates

w/c 10th September 2018:

Turtles am:	Attendance: 96.6%	Lates: 0
Turtles pm:	Attendance: 65%	Lates: 0
Possums:	Attendance: 94.2%	Lates: 0
Lions:	Attendance: 96%	Lates: 0
Aliens:	Attendance: 92.1%	Lates: 1
Bees:	Attendance: 93.5%	Lates: 1
Heroes:	Attendance: 97.6%	Lates: 0
Foxes:	Attendance: 99.2%	Lates: 0
Raptors:	Attendance: 94.8%	Lates: 0
Explorers:	Attendance: 92.5%	Lates: 0
Astronauts:	Attendance: 95.6%	Lates: 1
Footballers:	Attendance: 99.2%	Lates: 1
Unicorns:	Attendance: 97.7%	Lates: 0
School Total	Attendance: 95.5%	Lates: 4

Finally, both Mrs Athorn and I are impressed by how quickly the children have settled into their new classes and how they are coping with the ever-higher expectations on their work and their behaviour.

The new displays throughout school are looking great and already there is some fantastic work on display on the walls.

As always, if you have any concerns you'd like to discuss with us please get in touch. Thank you for your continued support.



****POSTPONED****

Aliza's Garden Party

In light of the current weather and the forecast over the weekend we have regretfully come to the decision that Aliza's Garden Party will be postponed for 2 weeks to **Sunday 7th October**.

This isn't a decision that we have come to lightly. Not only do we have the health & safety issue of a potentially water logged field but we're certain that not many of you would enjoy yourselves in conditions like those we saw yesterday.

We are hopeful that you can all still join us on the 7th October.

However, if you're unable to make the new date please get in touch to arrange a refund of your tickets.

We are hoping to have the same great entertainment line up and will keep the Facebook page updated with any changes. Apologies for the last minute change but we're hopeful that you'll all agree with the decision we've made to benefit all involved.

Thank you and kind regards

The Aliza Team