

Newsletter 5: 10th October 2018

Forthcoming Events

October

- 17th Parent tour for YR 2019
- 19th INSET day – school closed for training
- 22nd Week of half term holiday
- 29th Back to school

November

- 1st Parents evening
- 2nd Parent tour for YR 2019
- 6th Parents evening
- 7th Flu Immunisation
- 9th Non Uniform Day for collections for the Christmas Fair
- 16th Children in Need
- 24th Christmas Fair 2-4pm
- 26th Parent tour for YR 2019

December

- 14th YR Christmas Concert 2pm
- 17th Y2 play 9.30am / Y1 play 2pm
- 18th Y1 play 9.30am / Y2 play 2pm
- 19th break up for the Christmas holiday 1.15pm

2019 INSET DAYS

Thurs 3rd Jan
Fri 4th Jan
Fri 24th May

Dear All,

This week we have been thinking about our next school value of friendship and this links nicely with our harvest collections for the Toilet Twinning Charity and the Haslemere Food Bank. **Many thanks to everyone who either sent in money for the toilet twinning charity or sent donations of food or toiletries for the Haslemere Food Bank.**

Individual School Photographs

Yellow Photo will be coming into school on Monday to take individual school photographs of each child. They will then send out proof copies to you should you wish to purchase one.

Reminder – INSET day Friday 19th October

Next Friday 19th October the **school is closed** for training. In the morning the staff will be receiving Dance training from the Darcey Bussell Dance Academy. In the afternoon we will be receiving training on supporting pupils with English as an additional language.

Haslemere Town Council 2018 WW1 Commemorations

You will have probably seen the beautiful poppies cascading down St Christopher's Church. The pupils at our and other local schools helped to make the poppies last year; this is part of the Town Council's commemorative project. The next part is to remember all of the 145 local men who are remembered on local war memorials. A poppy wreath has been made bearing the name, rank and address of each person. The aim is for these wreaths to be hung outside their homes or, where the home no longer exists or can't be identified, it will be hung near by. We were asked to hang 8 wreaths on our gate for Lion Lane former residents, which you may have noticed this week. We feel that this is a fitting tribute.

On the 11th November our wreaths will be laid at Shottermill war memorial following a service at St. Stephen's Church at 10am. There will be similar ceremonies at Grayswood, Haslemere and Hindhead. If you would like to express an interest in laying one of our wreaths and attending the service, please let Mrs Storey know by emailing info@shottermill-infant.surrey.sch.uk



Poppy Poem

I am not a badge of honour,
I am not a racist smear,
I am not a fashion statement,
To be worn but once a year,
I am not glorification
Of conflict or of war.
I am not a paper ornament
A token,
I am more.
I am a loving memory,
Of a father or a son,
A permanent reminder
Of each and every one.
I'm paper or enamel
I'm old or shining new,
I'm a way of saying thank you,
To every one of you.
I am a simple poppy
A reminder to you all,
That courage faith and honour,
Will stand where heroes fall.

Flag Poles & Bike/Scooter Pods

Please can all parents ensure that the children are not swinging around the flags poles or climbing on the bike and scooter pods at the beginning and end of the day.

Friends Association – Class Reps

Otters Class – Karen (Hannah's Mum)
Hedgehogs Class – Michelle (Greg's Mum)
Badgers Class – Lou (Sonny's Mum)

Squirrels Class – Lauren (Olivia's Mum)
Puffins Class – Jen Churchill (Ivo's Mum)
Foxes Class – Lucy (Evie's Mum)

Class Fundraising cards

If your child returned artwork, you will find a proof card with an order form in their book bag. If you would like to order cards, tags etc., please return the order forms **before half term**. Cheques should be made payable to Friends of Shottermill Infant School. You can keep the proof card as your copy.

Raffle Prizes – Christmas Fair

We have started to receive raffle prizes from some of the local businesses, so if you think you have anything suitable as a prize, please feel free to pop it into the office.

Governor of the Month – Jen Churchill

I have lived in Haslemere for four years, having moved here from London just before our eldest child started school. We have three children aged 8, 6 and 5, with the youngest two in Foxes and Puffins here at Shottermill Infants.



I'm usually to be found doing the school run and ferrying the children to their various classes and activities but in my spare time I enjoy running, spinning and baking. I also work part time at Weydown nursery school.

I'm extremely proud to have been elected a Parent Governor, it is a great privilege to be able to contribute to life at such a successful local school. Please come and see me at the school gates or get in touch via the school office if there are any issues you would like me to raise on your behalf.

YR places in 2019

If you know someone who is looking for YR places for next September 2019 please ask them to give the school office a call on 01428 642902, to join one of our three school tours. The dates for the tours are:

Wednesday 17th October 9.30

Friday 2nd November 9.30

Monday 26th November 9.30

Community Notices

Message from our Chair of Governors about the Haslemere Poppy Appeal 2018

We are appealing for much needed volunteer RBL Poppy street collectors to help us in Haslemere this centenary year of the WW1 armistice.



The street collections take place from Monday 29 October - Saturday 9th November, at the following locations:

Waitrose, Tescos, Marks and Spencer, High Street, Haslemere Station - timing between 09.00 - 17.00.

If you could spend an hour or two supporting the Haslemere Poppy Appeal during this period, this would be fantastic and gratefully accepted. If you would like to know more and are interested to volunteer during this year's appeal, please contact me on 01428 608184 or via email jam3s3dwards@hotmail.com.

With many thanks.

Jim Edwards, Poppy Appeal Organiser, Haslemere SE15

Light Party at 3 Counties Church

Three Counties Church in Linchmere Road, Haslemere are holding a light party on Wednesday 31st October, 4.30 – 6.30pm. All children and families welcome to this Light Party with games, neon disco, craft, face painting, messy activities, hot dogs, singing, treats, hot chocolate and more. Dress up as a superhero, prizes for the best-dressed adult and child. £2 per child, no need to book.

Have you ever considered training to be a teacher?

Why not go along to a Teacher Training Open Evening to find out how? You may be a parent looking for a rewarding term-time job, a recent graduate longing for a step into teaching, or a mid-life career changer searching for a more rewarding role. Whatever your background come along to our informal event and find out more about our one year School Direct training programme ran in conjunction with Reading University and St Mary's University, Twickenham. If you are curious about teaching, we would love to see you and answer any questions you may have. This is a great opportunity to get a glimpse into your future as a teacher - training at one of our excellent alliance schools.

Thursday 18th October, 6.30pm-7.30pm at the Teaching Hall, St Polycarp's Catholic Primary School, Farnham, Surrey GU9 8BQ.

CONTACT US TODAY – TeachingSchool-ITT@stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk

Half term Activities Ideas

There are lots of super events on locally if you need ideas for a day out - have a look at the Rural Life Centre (Tilford), Watts Gallery (Godalming) and Gilbert White Museum (Selbourne) for ideas as well as the museums in Haslemere, Godalming and Farnham which offer free entry.

Surrey Police

Do you love your community? Could you make a difference? Do you have 16 hours minimum to spare per month?

Joining us as a Special Constable (Volunteer Police Officer) could be the perfect challenge for you.

By joining our police family, you will bring skills and experiences from your lives to help us make Surrey the safest county it can be.

You will make a real difference in Surrey by reducing crime - and the fear of crime - across the county, whilst gaining unique experiences that you are unlikely to encounter anywhere else. Visit www.surrey.police.uk/specials for more information and to apply.

The deadline for applications closes on Monday, 14 October 2018.

Finally, if you have any queries or concerns about any aspect of school life, please come and see us. All the staff are working very hard to provide the very best learning environment for your children. You are very important partners in the education process and we welcome your support and involvement in our school.

Jilly Storey

Headteacher

Please think of us when you do your online shopping.....

If you are shopping on-line please do so via this link, as it generates money for the Friends of Shottermill Infant School.

Lots of major high street and on-line retailers take part including;

Amazon, Marks & Spencer's, Argos, Tesco Direct, Debenhams, Boots and many more.

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shottermillinfantschoolshottermill

Thank you. Your shopping has raised **£1,389.43** to date!!

