

Shawlands Primary School Newsletter

Friday 12th October 2018



This week Mrs Athorn and I have spent time in each class to see how the children are progressing. We have been amazed by how much the children have come on in just 5 weeks. The level of knowledge they are showing in English and maths is fantastic to see and we can't wait to see how far they can go this year!

It was great to see more parents attending the first of the parent forums yesterday and to get lots of ideas on how we can continue to improve school. I will be sending out a parent survey next week, which is another way you can let us know how we're doing. There is also an official website for you to give your views on school, which Ofsted look at before they visit. This can be found at <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> Feedback is anonymous but we can read any comments left.

This year we are planning to use an online booking system for the Parents' Evening meetings on 14th/15th November (15th November is an extra session for EYFS only). I will send out more details once it is set up but hopefully this will make booking an appointment much easier.

For Children in Need on Friday 16th November children can wear pyjamas or Children in Need merchandise. We will be asking for a £1 voluntary donation and holding a cake sale to raise money for this good cause – so any donations of cakes, buns or biscuits would be greatly appreciated.

The Aliza event was an amazing success, not only was it a really fun afternoon but loads of money was raised. I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported this event and especially to The Aliza Team for all their hard work.

Finally, it is Mrs Butterwood's last day before going on maternity leave and I'm sure you will join me in wishing her luck – we will let you know any news as soon as we know!

Attendance and Lates

w/c 1st October 2018:

Turtles am:	Attendance: 97%	Lates: 0
Turtles pm:	Attendance: 93.3%	Lates: 0
Possums:	Attendance: 97.4%	Lates: 0
Lions:	Attendance: 100%	Lates: 0
Aliens:	Attendance: 92%	Lates: 2
Bees:	Attendance: 96.5%	Lates: 0
Heroes:	Attendance: 98%	Lates: 0
Foxes:	Attendance: 97.8%	Lates: 0
Raptors:	Attendance: 94.2%	Lates: 0
Explorers:	Attendance: 98.3%	Lates: 1
Astronauts:	Attendance: 94.8%	Lates: 0
Footballers:	Attendance: 95.4%	Lates: 1
Unicorns:	Attendance: 96.8%	Lates: 0
School Total	Attendance: 96.4%	Lates: 4

Message from The Aliza Team

The turnout for Aliza's Garden Party was fantastic. We were astounded by the support from so many of our own families as well as so many others within the community.

The total amount raised at the Garden Party was £1,602 bringing our total amount raised to £5,362.55. Thank you to each and every one of you who got involved and supported us. We would also like to say a massive thank you to Mr Thompson and Mrs Athorn for giving up their weekend off to get involved.

With love and thanks from The Aliza Team

REMINDER - Monday 5th November is an inset day and school will be closed.