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SHORTSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th May 2018

Attendance Target: 98%

Actual Attendance: 96.6%

Message from Denise Cottam

The Big Pedal has been a great success. We came second in Bedford Borough, pipped at the post. But I don't think anyone would have beaten our Superhero Day. The children looked great and raised over £155. All contributions will go to the Sustrans charity who work closely with our Eco Council on the sustainable school programme. It is amazing how supportive our families are of all of our initiatives. The bike and scooter racks have been full. We hope the sunny weather helps to keep this going throughout the Summer term. Thank you for your support.

There has been a number of letters and money handed to teachers this week, for various events. Please place all correspondence in the post box, on the wall outside of the office, in the KS2 Heart Space or the Reception Class box. PTA money and slips must be put in the PTA post box, by the adult. This is located inside the main foyer by the office.

This month all year 2 and year 6 children, across the country, will be sitting their Standard Attainment Tests (SATs). These are statutory, an additional information leaflet will be sent to parents of these children. We appreciate the pressure this kind of test can have on a child.

In Y2 the teachers are able to deliver the tests during the month of May. They will scatter them throughout this month without additional pressure. Although they are statutory, tests results are not reported at this age, they are only additional evidence, to support the teacher assessments. These teacher assessments are made from your child's day to day working and progress over the year and will be shared in the end of year reports.

The Y6 SATs take place on the week of the 14th May. This is a national timetabled assessment process and the tests are externally marked. The results will be shared in the end of year reports.

Schools are judged, nationally on these results. However, as a school, we value the other skills and abilities our

Dawn Until Dusk—Please join us for our themed nights:

Wednesday 9th May—Harry Potter Night

Wednesday 16th May—Cookery Night

Wednesday 23rd May—Superhero Night

Are you interested in Yoga and Mindfulness?

At Eastcotts Children's Centre

Come along and join in, you will have the opportunity to explore and find techniques to help you relax. Suitable for all levels—no experience necessary. Mats and blankets are provided. No crèche available. Starts Monday 14th May at

Diary Dates

Monday 7th May—Bank Holiday Monday

Tuesday 8th May—Children back at school

Friday 11th May—Class Photos & Y6 Friendship Photos

Monday 14th May—Y6 SATs Week

School Mission Statement

Shortstown is an inclusive school which has a positive impact on children's life long learning and achievement, through high expectations, in a creative and motivating environment.