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SHORTSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th June 2018

Attendance Target: 98%

Actual Attendance: 96.6%

Message from Denise Cottam

This week has been Numeracy week, with another focus on the 'Five to Thrive' agenda, around 'Talk'. We have had a visitor working with all of the classes, on outdoor Maths learning, to not only support the Maths but also promote active lifestyles, as part of the Sports initiative of 30 minutes a day. It is amazing how children's behaviour becomes more positive when they are working outside, rather than inside. Staff are working hard to develop these opportunities across the curriculum.

Challenge: When you are out, use car number plates to identify numbers in a sequence, starting from 1 or a number of your choice. For the more advanced—add the numbers on the plates.

You may have noticed a change to the shed, near the KS2 Heartspace doors. The digital Leaders have been working with an artist in residence, to create the E-safety mural. This will be a good message as well as providing colour.

Year 6 are trying to raise money for their end of year trip. They are holding a coffee afternoons on a Friday, from 3.00—4.00pm (Please see the overview). Last week they raised £3.00. Any support would be appreciated.

We hosted moderation for Bedford Borough Schools, this week. There were 20 schools, with over 60 teachers, who attended, over the 2 days. There were so many positive comments about the school, the learning environments, the friendliness of the staff and the polite, well behaved children. I felt exceptionally fortunate to be part of our school community. Thank you. Next week the Heritage Projects are due to be returned. These will be displayed, in the KS2 Heart space, next Friday, after school. I am really looking forward to seeing the different ways you have approached the challenge and learning about your heritage.

We will be saying goodbye to two of our teachers, at the end of this term. Mrs Hubbard will be on Maternity leave and we hope she will come back to us, after this. Miss Cragg (Y4) is leaving to take up a position in St John's Special School. This is where her passion lies and we wish her every success. We are currently recruiting and will inform you of the successful candidates, once we have agreed their contracts.

You raised an amazing £153.20 for the 'Wear the Stripes' today. This money goes to the charity 'Brakes' who support schools in road safety and sustainability. Thank you.

Have a great week
Onwards and upwards

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

Tuesday 19th June—Cookery Night

Tuesday 26th June—Super Splash Night

Tuesday 3rd July—Cookery Night

Tuesday 10th July—Army Night

Friday 20th July—End of Term Party

Please visit our website <https://kidsdawnuntildusk.co.uk> or call us on 01234 930505 for more information.

Twitter

Please remember to check our Twitter account which can be easily accessed through our school website where you can find lots of helpful advice regarding online safety and updates about day to day activities at school.

Diary Dates

Friday 22nd June—Y6 Tea/Coffee Afternoon outside the Extension Building 3:00pm - 4:00pm - All parents/carers welcome

Friday 22nd June—YR Open Day 9:15am - 11:45am and 1:15pm - 3:00pm

Monday 25th June—Last week of Staff Run After School Clubs (except Forest School -last week is Monday 9th July)

Friday 29th June—Y6 Tea/Coffee Afternoon outside the Extension Building 3:00pm - 4:00pm - All parents/carers welcome

Tuesday 3rd July—Y3-Y6 Sports Day 1:30pm - 2:30pm

Wednesday 4th July—Y1-Y2 Sports Day 1:15pm - 2:15pm

Wednesday 4th July—YR Sports Day 2:30pm - 3:00pm

Monday 16th July—End of year reports to parents

Wednesday 18th July—YR-Y2 Achievers Assembly 2:30pm - 3:00pm

Thursday 19th July—Y3-Y5 Achievers Assembly & Y6 Leavers Assembly 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Please see the overview for further dates

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.

Be Happy, Safe and Learn