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Wednesday 2nd October 2024 - Year 2, Fort Nelson Trip Thursday 10th October 2024 - Year 6, War Horse Trip Tuesday 15th October 2024, 5pm - Year 6, PGL Meeting Wednesday 16th October 2024 - Year 1, Southampton Art Gallery Wednesday 23rd October 2024 - School Photographs Thursday 24th October 2024 - Non-Uniform Day Friday 25th October 2024 - INSET Day Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024 Half-Term A Mizzssagiz Fridim It has been a brilliant start to the year at Shamblehurst and I'd like to extend a really warm welcome to all our new families.

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We are four weeks in to the term and we have had some exciting visits and visitors to our school. These include a trip to Butser for Year 3 to learn about the Stone Age, a visit from Spirit of the Wild for Year 2 and 4, learning about adaption and classification of animals and the Space Dome landing to support Year 5. Our curriculum is built around offering children rich experiences and opportunities and we are really grateful for your support. FOSSA have been brilliant in supporting us in offsetting the costs of coaches. In the next few weeks we have visits planned for Year 2, who are learning about Florence Nightingale, Year 1 who are visiting the Gurdwara and Southampton Art Gallery and Year 6 who are watching War Horse at the Mayflower Theatre.

We have made some really powerful changes to our behaviour policy which we have communicated with the children. This very much is focussed on empowering children to take responsibility for their actions and teaching them the skills to be able to work through challenging situations or events. Children have been thinking about and using some new language around behaviour. These are about being at our 'Brain Best' and how our actions have to 'work for me, for you and for everyone.' I really hope that children are able to talk to you about what these mean - I know my husband has heard the later phrase quite a few times in recent weeks!

We have some non-uniform days coming up, these are to support us in running our own Christmas Fayre on Wednesday 18th December. The first non-uniform day is on Thursday 24th October. Please can we ask for donations of smellies - body spray, bath and shower gels, face masks, pampering products, hand creams, gift sets etc...

Our second non-uniform day is on Friday 29th November and we would welcome gifts of chocolate or wine!

Our last big ask will be nearer to the big day where we will hopefully arrange some colour hampers - more details to follow!

The last big ask, I promise...........If any of our families have any capacity to donate any prizes for our raffle then we would love to hear from you!



Thank you for your amazing support.

Very best wishes,

Mrs Jones



Year 3 had an amazing trip to Butser Farm. They explored the three stages of the Stone Age, looking at the Palaeolithic, the Mesolithic and the Neolithic era and looked at how humans adapted and evolved overtime, using resources such as stones, bones and other wildlife to survive.

They studied different artefacts and discussed what they may have been used for; produced their own cave paintings, using some of the natural colours they would have found in their surroundings; produced pottery from clay found in the ground and visited the different types of homes and shelters the Stone Age people would have assembled.

Despite some rain, the children thoroughly enjoyed going back in time!













Shamblehurst promotes healthy eating. A balanced, healthy, nutritious diet is important for the development of a child's physical state, as well as for their intellectual abilities.

Please note the following recommended guidelines set out by the British Nutrition Foundation.

A child's lunch should include only the following:

- A portion of starchy food, eg. wholegrain bap/bread, pitta bread, plain, crackers, pasta or rice salad

- Fresh fruit and vegetables, eg. apple/ orange/ banana, cherry tomatoes, carrot sticks, mini fruit chunks, etc

- A portion of milk or dairy food, eg. cheese, plain/fruit yoghurt, etc

- Small portion of lean meat, fish or alternative, eg. two slices of ham, chicken, beef Quorn, cheese, tuna, egg or hummus, etc

- A drink - fruit juice (not fizzy), water (not flavoured), milk (not flavoured)

Please ensure that children bring a water bottle to school with them each day - please ensure that this is named.

We would like to say a big well done to all of the Year R children and for settling in really well.

Year R Team



Individual Photographs and in school sibling photos will be taken on Wednesday 23rd October 2024

Starting School

We will update you nearer the time with further information.

All of our communication is sent via email and text messages - please ensure that we have your up-to-date contact details. We will be sending home our yearly data collection forms soon to parents before half-term.

Our school calendar on our school website is regularly updated - please ensure this is checked if you are unsure



Well what a way to kick off the term. Year 2 were super excited to have a visit from Ben and Spirit of the Wild. He built on our knowledge of animal classification groups from Year 1 and introduced us to some new terms such as ' invertebrate'. We learned so much about different animals including a marine toad, a caique (pronounced cake), this is the smallest species of parrot and a skunk!

Children were inquisitive, brave and respectful. Who would have thought that coming to school on a Monday would end with cuddling a skunk! We know that having this amazing experience is going to lead to some amazing, descriptive and informative writing. A fantastic experience from start to finish. Well done Year 2.

Year 2 Team



School Library Books

We have over 1000 outstanding books missing from our library. Please can everyone have a good look at home to see if they have any and return these to the school. We will be sending out a list of books that were issued on your child's account (these may have been returned and not scanned back in properly). However, can parents and children still have a good search.

All children's loans have now been wiped from the system for this academic year but moving forward, we will be asking for a voluntary donation of £4 for every book that is lost or damaged.

We thank you for your understanding.



HEDGE END RANGERS GIRLS SOCCER CENTRE

Year R - Year 6 Fridays, 5-6 pm At deer park school

Friday 06/09 FREE TASTER SESSION



EXTENSION

Contact: girlssoccercentre@hedgeendrangers.co.uk



WEDNESDAY 23RD OCTOBER KS1 (YR R, 1, 2 & 3) 17:00-18:15 KS2 (YR 4, 5 & 6) 18:30 - 19:45

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