



Shalford News



The weekly newsletter for
Shalford Infant School and Nursery

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Head Teacher Update

Dear Families,

Thank you to everyone that came and helped with our Ground Force Afternoon on Tuesday. As the saying goes, 'many hands make light work' and they were able to achieve a lot in just one afternoon together. The garden now looks neat and tidy and ready for winter!

Thank you also to those of you who have already donated non-perishable food items for the North Guildford Food bank. We will continue to collect items until the 24th October, so there is plenty of time to contribute if you haven't yet done so and want to. The 'harvest table' in to the school hall, so feel free to pop into the hall at drop off or pick up or drop your items off in the school office.

This year we are very excited to be able to offer not one but TWO different Christmas Performances! We will be having an Early Year performance involving both Acorn and Oak Classes and then also a KS1 Performance involving Ash and Pine Classes. Please see the dates section on the back for your diary.

Next week sees the start of our tours for prospective parents. If you know of any parent who has a child who will be starting school next September, please let them know about our tours (dates are on the website). In the past families who lived outside Shalford often missed out on a place in Oak Class, but figures from Surrey County Council indicate a low birth rate in the villages which will affect numbers next year, so anyone who is interested in a place should certainly apply!

Look out for our Oak Class children looking smart in their photo which is printed in the Surrey Advertiser today!

We are pleased to be welcoming three new members of staff to Shalford next week. Mrs Keynes will be working in Oak Class every morning and both Mrs Williams and Mrs Millard will be joining our nursery team. Please do introduce yourselves and say hello and give them a lovely Shalford welcome!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Michelle Dutton

We are nut free!

Congratulations to...



	Headteacher Award	Values Ambassador
Acorn	Oscar	
Oak	Amelia	
Ash	Eve	
Pine	Haydn	

Harvest Critters

Don't forget the Harvest Critter Competition is back and open to all classes. Once again, we are inviting your child to create a critter for our autumn display in the front entrance of the school. It can be a real or imaginary creature, but it must be made from natural materials. All entries must be in school by **Monday 21stth October**.

Here are a few examples from previous years.



Important Dates

18th Oct - 3pm PiP Freaky Friday Stay & Play
22nd Oct - 2.15pm Acorn Class Afternoon Tea
23rd Oct - 2.45pm Welcome Wednesday
24th Oct - 2.15pm Harvest Festival
25th Oct - Main School INSET DAY
28th Oct - 1st Nov - HALF TERM WEEK
6th Nov - School photos
13th Nov - 2-5pm Parent/Teacher Consultations
14th Nov - 5.30-7.30pm Parent/Teacher Consultations
18th Nov - 9-9.30am - Family Learning
22nd Nov - 9-9.30am - Family Learning
7th Dec - PiP Christmas Fair
16th Dec - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
17th Dec - AM EY Christmas Performance
PM KS1 Christmas Performance
18th Dec - AM - KS1 Christmas Performance
19th Dec - EY Christmas Performance
20th Dec - END OF TERM SCH FINISHES at 1PM
23rd Dec - 3rd Jan - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
17th - 21st Feb - HALF TERM WEEK
3rd Apr - Main School INSET DAY
30th Mar - 17th Apr - Nursery EASTER HOLIDAYS
6th - 17th Apr - School EASTER HOLIDAYS
25th - 29th May - HALF TERM WEEK
20th, 21st, 22nd July - Main School INSET DAYS

Letter of the week

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Can you help?

We would like to add to our resources that are available for children to play with at playtime. If you have any of the following that you no longer need, we would gratefully take them off your hands:

- Toy cars
- Toy animals
- Lego
- Toy action figures

Many thanks 😊



Great Books Guide 2019: best new children's books

Visit the Book Trust's website to find out about 100 books from the last year that they think are great – and so will children.

Book Trust's priority is to get children excited about books, stories and rhymes because if reading is fun, children will want to do it. That's why they've put together this guide full of books they think are absolutely brilliant, carefully chosen to engage and excite children all the way up to age 11. Book Trust believe that the "right" book is always the book a child wants to read – and they hope this guide inspires you to find that book.

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