



Shalford News



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Head Teacher Update

Dear Families,

I am delighted to share with you that thanks to the hard work of our Eco Team last year, our [Eco Schools Green Flag award](#) has been renewed for the second time! Here are a couple of quotes from the assessor's feedback: *The curriculum link evidence you uploaded alongside your application is amazing, it was brilliant to be able to see the creative and innovative ways educators in your school tackled huge global issues in a child-friendly way - this shows a true dedication to environmental education. I hope everyone involved in the Eco-Schools programme at your school takes great pride in the parental quote - through your efforts you have engaged a young person in environmental issues, taught them how their behaviour can make a difference, changed their behaviour and even educated their families, this is all down to your hard work! It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to review your Eco-Schools Green Flag application - you are most definitely a worthy Eco-Schools Green Flag with Merit Award winner! Congratulations! Keep up the good work.* We are very proud of the children's work. I would also like to say a big thank you to Clare Constant, a school governor for leading the Eco Team here at Shalford.

We have a tradition here at Shalford of taking the three classes in the main school, Oak, Ash and Pine to the pantomime at the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in Guildford during the last week of the autumn term. This trip usually costs around £18 per child and includes the theatre ticket and the cost of a coach to the theatre. As the cost of living continues to rise we are aware that this payment may be difficult for families to meet, especially in the run up to Christmas and so we have created a poll <https://forms.gle/lbxYCz8FZtUZBnQFA> to find out whether you would like the trip to go ahead this year or not. Please respond by Friday 7th October.

Can I please ask that if, when you are leaving the school site, you have opened the front door to exit, that you do not let other people into the school, even if those people are parents? Once the front door is closed for the start of the school day all people coming into school must be signed in via the front office. Thank you for your support in safeguarding your children.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,
Michelle Dutton

Shalford Celebrates....

Congratulations to...



	Headteacher Award	Values Ambassador
Acorn	Ivy	Oz
Oak	Nate	Maddie
Ash	Ralphy	Olivia
Pine	Archie	Danny

Ground Force Afternoon


Next month we are inviting new parents for September 2023 to come and look around our fantastic school.

In order for the school to look its best we need helpers to join in with our 'Ground Force Afternoon' taking place on Friday 7th October at 1.30pm. We are aiming to clear the front garden and beds of weeds and plants, ready for the winter. If you are able to help, please bring along any tools you have (spades, forks, and secateurs). Your child will also be able to join you, so they will need a change of clothes.

Please let the school office know if you are able to help. Thank you ☺



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Important Dates	What to do if you are in an abusive relationship
<p>7th Oct 1pm: Garden Working Party 19th Oct 2.45pm: Welcome Wednesday 4th Nov: Individual school photos day 7th-11th Nov: Parent/Teacher Consultation Week 3rd Dec: PTA Christmas Fair w/c 5th Dec: Scholastic Book Fair visiting 3rd & 4th Jan - INSET DAYS</p>	<p>Domestic Abuse is the intentional use of verbal, emotional, psychological, financial and physical abusive tactics and behaviours in order to maintain power and control over and manipulate a partner, ex-partner or family member.</p> <p>Domestic Abuse represents one quarter of all violent crime in the UK. Domestic Abuse is any incident of threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between adults who are or have been intimate partners or family members, regardless of gender or sexuality.</p>
<p>Help for parents & carers choose out-of-school settings</p>	<p>It arises from the misuse of power and control by one person over another. It is a series of incidents and behaviours that usually escalate over time. The abuse includes different abusive behaviours that can be used together or separately over a period of time.</p>
<p>As we start a new school year, parents may well be looking for theatre groups or sports' clubs. The DfE has a document that helps parents identify the safeguarding issues to consider when choosing a provider. Keeping children safe during community activities, after-school clubs and tuition: Questions to help parents and carers choose out-of-school settings.</p> <p>Parents can access the guidance here.</p>	<p>The abuse may not be constant there may be times where your abuser says s/he is sorry and promises not to do it again, they promise to change, they blame stress, anger, alcohol, the children, you. They may buy you gifts, cry and beg. These are tactics used to keep you from leaving the relationship in the belief that things will get better.</p> <p>It is difficult to understand why the person you love, who says they love you, is abusive to you.</p> <p>It is not your fault, you are not to blame. You are not alone. Men and women of all ages, cultures, religions, sexual orientation, from all walks of life can be victims of domestic abuse.</p>
<div data-bbox="135 1220 726 2049"> <h1 style="color: #00A69F;">Make Yourself Heard</h1> <p>In danger, need the police, but can't speak?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Dial 999 2 Listen to the questions from the 999 operator 3 Respond by coughing or tapping the handset if you can 4 If prompted, press 55 This lets the 999 call operator know it's a genuine emergency and you'll be put through to the police. <p>See our guide for more information.</p> <p>#MakeYourselfHeard #SilentDistraction www.policeconduct.gov.uk</p> <p>OPC women's aid NPCC</p> </div> 	<p>South West Surrey Domestic Abuse Outreach Service can help you.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">01483 898884</p> <p><i>Open: Monday to Friday 9am – 4pm</i></p> <p>Your call will be answered by a trained Domestic Abuse Support Worker. If they are unable to answer your call please leave a short message with safe contact details and we will ring you back. They also have a 24-hour answerphone which operates outside office hours and also during office hours should they be unable to answer the telephone. If the phone is unanswered please leave a short clear message with safe contact details and they will ring you back.</p> <p>In an emergency, please dial 999</p> <p>They provide practical help, advice and emotional support as well as information and advice on a wide range of issues which includes civil injunctions, criminal proceedings, housing, benefits, safety planning and the needs of children affected by domestic abuse.</p>