



Shalford News



The weekly newsletter for
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Head Teacher Update

Dear Families,

Every year we ask families to donate a food item for our Harvest Table. These donations are then given to the North Guildford Food Bank. As well as being a very valuable local charity, it is important for children to know and understand that there are families living close by who are in need and that it isn't just children who live in faraway developing countries who go hungry. In order to ensure that they have proportionate amounts of all the different items they give to their clients, this year the volunteers who run the foodbank are asking each donator to collect different items. We have been asked to collect **tinned potatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned spaghetti, instant coffee (not decaf), and tomato ketchup**. We would be grateful for any donations from this list from Monday. The Harvest Table will be in the hall this year, so you can drop items in at drop off, pick up or drop them into the school office. If you would like to find out more about the food bank visit their website <http://northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk/food-donations/>
Thank you in anticipation of your support.

I wanted to share with you and keep you in the loop regarding the current situation with our Forest School provision. Pre-Covid we were fortunate enough to be able to use Tillingbourne Junior's Forest School site and along with a donated minibus and driver from St Catherine's in Bramley we were able to provide the children with this exciting and valuable learning experience. During Covid we used the front garden for outdoor learning activities. Unfortunately, due to the proximity to the school building and the limitations of the garden we were not able to run actual Forest School sessions. This year due to the Tillingbourne site requiring time to regenerate we are not able to use their site and St Cats are no longer able to donate a mini bus and driver. After some exploration Wonersh & Shamley Green Primary School are very happy for us to use their wonderful woodland Forest School site, but we have been unable to find anyone to help us out with the donation of a minibus and driver. At the last PTA meeting it was suggested that the PTA could pay for the transport this year as the big fund raiser. We are currently investigating costs.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,
Michelle Dutton

Shalford Celebrates....

Congratulations to...



	Headteacher Award	Values Ambassador
Acorn	Adam	Tristram
Oak	Luke	Immie B
Ash	Oli	Clemie
Pine	Matthew K	Sam

Can you help?

Last year our successful Eco Team was led by two of our school governors, Clare Constant and Sarah Burchard. Clare is unable to fulfil the role this year and so we are looking for a new co-leader to work with Sarah and the children.

The team usually meet once every half term during the school day. If you would like more information about what the role would entail please speak to Mrs Dutton.

We will not be holding an Eco Team Election until we know that this group will definitely be running this year.



Important Dates

19th Oct 2.45pm: Welcome Wednesday
 24th - 28th Oct: Half term holiday
 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
 16th Dec: Term finishes at 1pm
 3rd & 4th Jan - INSET DAYS

The National Trust are offering a free visit for up to 2 adults and 4 children so it could be a great day for half term (or any other day before 30th October).

Click for more information: [Escape into autumn](#)



Residents of Tillingbourne Road have been in touch to request that parents think more considerately when parking to drop off or pick up children. Parking on double yellow lines, in the disabled bay without a permit or across driveways is not helpful and understandably residents are unhappy about this. Can I ask all parents think about our Shalford values when parking on residential roads?

Thank you for your support in this matter.



What are our Shalford Values?

At Shalford we share a set of common values that help us to make good choices about our thinking and our behaviour. These values apply to the whole school community and parents, children, governors, and staff are asked to live by them. Through teaching and role modelling our values we are providing children with a guide that we hope they will remember now and throughout their lives. We teach one value each month that we are in school. The values and their definitions for the children are:

Friendship	Providing trust, support and care for someone else.
Respect	Thinking and acting in a way that shows you care about yourself, others and the world.
Honesty	Speaking the truth and acting truthfully
Kindness	Being caring and helpful, and looking after others.
Responsibility	Being trusted by others to make good choices.
Empathy	Understanding what it is like to be someone else and feeling what they are feeling.
Tolerance	Treating everyone the same because it is OK to be different.
Thoughtfulness	Thinking carefully before acting, and thinking of others before yourself.
Courage	Deciding to do something difficult even when you feel afraid.
Resilience	Always trying your hardest and not giving up, even when something is challenging.
Achievement	Reaching a goal, however big or small.

The children in Acorn Class learn about five of these values during their time in nursery; **Kindness, Friendship, Honesty, Responsibility, Resilience and Courage**

Our Friday Celebration Assembly focus on celebrating our values in action. Children who have shown their values will be nominated and recognised for these acts. If your child has taken the values home with them and shown them with you, please complete a Values Leaf from the front entrance. Your child can bring this to assembly to be shared.