

The weekly newsletter for



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Head Teacher Update

Dear Families.

I must start with a thank you to those parents who have taken their time to congratulate the school on its recent Ofsted report. As I wrote on Wednesday this week, we are incredibly proud of our school and the effort that goes into making it what it is and it is wonderful to have this recognised. The good judgement is further validation of the direction we're heading in terms of our curriculum development and ensuring a great start for all the children in our care. Myself, my team and the governors make strategic decisions fully focussed on what our children and community need and this result is just one of many quality assurance measures that should give everyone confidence that Shalford is not just a good school, but the right place for children to thrive and succeed.

Please save the date, on 19th April 6-7pm we are offering all parents the opportunity to attend an NSPCC Online Safety webinar. This parent webinar will focus on core safety messages, parental controls and social media. It is never too early to start having conversations with young children about how to keep themselves safe online. You wouldn't start talking and teaching a child about road safety and how to cross the road until they were old enough to do it by themselves and the same needs to happen with online safety. Please contact the school office to register for the event.

We are currently accepting Nursery applications for September, if you know of any families who might be interested in a place in Acorn Class, please ask them to contact the school office.

Finally, some staffing news. Following a successful recruitment process I am pleased to announce that Mrs Grice will be joining our team on Monday 27th March. This is a temporary role meaning that Mrs Grice, a very experienced nursery manager and teacher, will lead the nursery class for the rest of this academic year. Just to let you know, there are also going to be some changes at the After School Care Club ran by Sports 4 Kids. Miss Young is stepping down from the role and will no longer be working at the club.

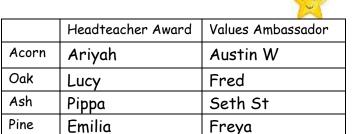
Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes.

Michelle Dutton

Shalford Celebrates....

Congratulations to...



Clever Never Goes!

Next week we will be talking and teaching the children in all classes about Clever Never Goes. This is a modern, child friendly alternative to the out dated and fundamentally flawed 'Stranger Danger' message. Rather than fearing the worst in everyone they don't know, Clever Never Goes helps children to recognise specific situations that are unsafe and gives them the tools to respond.

Teaching children simply to avoid strangers doesn't work. Most strangers will help rather than harm children. Conversely, it is often people known to children that pose the greatest threat. That's why we teach Clever Never Goes.

Clever Never Goes teaches children to recognise when someone (anyone) is asking them to go with them. We call this 'Go Spotting'. It's about giving your child practical safety skills and confidence to engage with the outside world.

Attached to this newsletter is a parent leaflet.



Important Dates

22nd Mar 8.45am: Coffee morning with HT & CoG

24th Mar 7.30pm: PTA Quiz night 3rd - 14th Apr - Easter Holidays

17th Apr: Shalford School History Day

19th Apr 6-7pm: NSPCC Online Safety Workshop 26th & 28th Apr 9-9.30am: Come & Play with Me

25th & 26th Apr 9-9.30am: Family Learning 8th May: Additional Bank Holiday - School Closed

5th June: Maths & Science Week

7th June: Class Photo Day

13th & 14th June 9-9.30am: Family Learning

14th & 15th June 9-9.30am: Come & Play with Me

16th June PM: Whole School Sports Day

24th June: PTA Summer Fair

12th July 3 - 5pm: Open Afternoon

Keeping Your Child Safe Online



The online world is an important part of kids' lives nowadays. It's an exciting place for them to explore, with all sorts of fun and educational stuff to discover, but there can be some risks too.



NSPCC

'Keeping children safe online' will teach you how to help kids explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely.

- help you understand how children experience the online world
- show you resources and tools that could help keep them safe
- empower you to guide them on their journey.

Date: Wednesday 19th April 2023 Time: 6-7pm Location: Zoom - register through your school to receive login details.

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Mothering Sunday



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Café Church All Age 10am, Sunday 19th March 2023

Informal all age, cafe style, pop-up children's percussion & live 'band' Emily & Liz, giving thanks & flowers, mothering challenges joys & inspirations. Just drop in, whether you're a mum or not, bring friends, family, all ages.

Links for finances & support

CAP Life Skills

CAP Life Skills is a friendly group that will give you the confidence and decision-making skills needed to live on a low income. You'll learn practical money saving techniques, such as cooking on a budget and making money go further. For more information click on the link below CAP UK | CAP Life Skills

Guildford Action for Families

The GAF (Guildford Action for Families) service supports isolated families with issues including debt, housing, mental health challenges, isolation, relationship breakdown, domestic abuse, parenting skills, employment and substance misuse. Action for Families - Guildford Action

Mindworks

Mindworks Surrey is a new emotional wellbeing and mental health service for Children and Young People in Surrey, you can find support and advice, and well as links to other useful organisations via the link below:

Mindworks Surrey