

The weekly newsletter for



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Head Teacher Update

Dear Families.

Thank you to those of you who took part in the Zones of Regulation workshop poll. In response to this we are moving the workshop to Thursday 18th April at 9am. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

The online world gives us access to a huge amount of information and services, but the scale of information available also means that there is content that is inappropriate for children. What is or isn't appropriate is up to individual parents and carers to decide, and could be based on things like age, ability, beliefs and family values.

We like to pass on top online safety tips when we get them. Swiggle is a child-friendly search engine from the Online Safety experts at SWGfL. Designed to make searching the internet for images or content more than just a bit hit and miss. Swiggle can help you with your first steps on the road to better online searching. Find out more here:

https://swiggle.org.uk/teachers/ Kiddle is another 'child-friendly' search engine from America. https://www.kiddle.co/

Parental controls allow you to block and filter upsetting or inappropriate content. They work across your WIFI, phone network, individual apps and devices.

Parental controls can help you to:

- plan what time of day your child can go online and how long for
- create content filters to block apps that may have inappropriate content
- manage the content different family members can see.

The NSPCC have a very useful webpage to help you set up controls and Vodaphone also has a page that can help restrict your child's access on YouTube etc. Together we can build a better and safer community for our children to grow up in.

I hope everyone has been swotting up for the PTA Quiz tonight....

Have a lovely weekend. Best wishes, Michelle Dutton

Shalford Celebrates....

Congratulations to...



	Headteacher Award	Values Ambassador
Acorn	Dakota	Theodor
Oak	Jamie	Kiara
Ash	Stanley	Max
Pine	Seth Stephen	Zeyad

Clever Never Goes!

Next week we will be 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

15th Mar 8pm: PTA Quiz Night

22nd Mar: PTA Mufti Day & Cake Sale

27th Mar: 2.45 - 3pm: Welcome Wednesday

28th Mar 1pm: End of Term

29th Mar - 12th Apr: Easter Holidays

15th April: INSET DAY

18th April 9am: Zones of Regulation Workshop

24th & 25th April 9am: Family Learning 22nd May: 2.45 - 3pm: Welcome Wednesday

24th May: Sports Day; EYFS AM & KS1 PM

27th - 31st May - Half term week

3rd June: INSET DAY

18th & 21st June 9am: Family Learning

19th July 1pm: End of Term

Have your say on road safety in Surrey

In recent years, the annual number of road casualties killed or seriously injured on Surrey's roads has not reduced. Surrey also has some of the highest numbers of pedestrian and cycling road casualties of any local authority in Great Britain. They want to hear your views as they try to tackle these important issues. Surrey has partnered with Surrey Police (including the Police and Crime Commissioner), Surrey Fire and Rescue, and National Highways to draft a Vision Zero Road Safety Strategy, aiming for zero road deaths and serious injuries by 2050.

Have your say on various plans here.



Out of Hours Service

A new advice line for parents and carers of children and young people who have neurodevelopmental needs including autism and ADHD. Urgent support, advice or guidance available from Spm-11pm, 365 days a year.

Call 0300 222 5755

Option 3: ASD Helpline Option 4: ADHD Helpline

Paul Dix: When the Parents Change

From When the Parents Change: One Small

Change

Build your Pride Patch

https://www.youtube.com /watch?v=DfvZDUNwVa Y

Lots of homes will have pictures of their children posing in their school uniform or otherwise



appropriately posed for photos that make the adults in their lives feel proud. However, the idea of a pride patch - whether it's on your wall, the fridge or the back of a door - is to make your child feel proud.

To build your Pride Patch you should take pictures of your children when they are doing the right thing; proud of their spotless rooms, studying diligently or showing off their award. Capture the goals they attempt, not just the ones they score. Celebrate mistakes, show off the colourings that have gone outside the lines and the stories with words, even sentences, scrubbed out.

Build your pride patch and make it a focal point in your home. Share it with guests, use it to scaffold intentions for the day, to support positive noticing and remind children of positive behaviours when they find themselves wobbling.

Your pride patch is designed to grow but you can start today with an old photo and a positive note that you can save.

https://www.whentheparentschange.com/