



IMPORTANT DATES – INSET DAY

We have an INSET Day on Monday 11th November – there will be no school on this day.

IMPORTANT DATES - SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFER

We would like to remind parents of children in Year 6 that **Thursday 31st October 2019** is the closing date for applications to secondary school. If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or you can call them on 0300 200 1004. If you pay your Council Tax outside Surrey, please contact your Local Authority directly for details about the application process.

BIKEABILITY LEVEL 2

If you have signed your Year 6 child up to take part in Level 2 Bikeability please note they will need to bring in their bicycle and helmet on Monday 4th November. The side gate will be unlocked so please leave the bicycle on the Astro. The course lasts for five consecutive mornings of 1.5 hours each; unfortunately, we are unable to hold the bikes securely overnight so please collect them at the end of each day.

FLU VACCINATIONS

On Thursday 28th November, the School Nurse will be vaccinating children at School. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine please complete the e-consent form at www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk (our school's unique code/URN number is **SR124979** which you will need to enter on to the flu consent form).

SCHOOL LUNCHES

The new school menu is available to view on Scopay, paper copies will be handed on Monday 4th November. Please may we remind all parents that they must order their child's lunch before school – the School Office is regularly having children coming down in the morning asking us to book lunches for them. This is very disruptive to the start of their school day and adds a lot of additional work for the Office team.

HALF-TERM ACTIVITIES

Please find attached a couple of flyers promoting activities happening locally this half-term.

CHRISTMAS FINISHING TIME

Please note on Friday 20th December the School will finish at **1:30pm**. Please pick up your child in the usual place, ensuring they have everything they need for the Christmas break (including PE kits). There will be no access to the School until Tuesday 7th January.

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ABSENCE

It is our duty to inform you that the Education (Pupil Registration)(England)(Amendment) Regulations 2013, which became law on 1 September 2013 state that Headteachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. The Headteacher should determine the number of school days a child can be away from school if leave is granted.

In accordance with the above Regulations, requests for leave of absence are treated sympathetically, but only in exceptional circumstances can they be approved. The policy of Surrey County Council to which this school has agreed, states that parents who take their child out of school for five days or more during term time, without the authority of the Headteacher, will each be liable to receive a penalty notice. Penalty Notices will be issued by the Local Authority.

The cost of a penalty notice is £60 per parent per child (rising to £120 if not paid within 28 days) i.e. a family of 2 adults and 2 children could be fined £240 (or £480 if not paid within 28 days).

The issue of a Penalty Notice will also be considered where a pupil has incurred 7 or more unauthorised sessions during the preceding 6 school weeks. The parents' failure to engage with supportive measures proposed by the school or Education Welfare will be a factor when considering the issue of a Penalty Notice. Unauthorised absence will include late arrival after the close of registration without good reason.

With the exception of unauthorised leave of absence taken in term time, parents will be sent a formal warning of their liability to receive such a notice before it is issued.

Please can we also remind parents that a request for leave of absence should be made before taking a child out of school so that we can be sure of their safety. Please can medical appointments be made outside of school hours when possible. If your child needs to attend a medical appointment during the school day, please can you notify the school office with as much notice as possible. Should your child be unwell, please inform the School Office as soon as possible in the morning by email, telephone or through the website 'report an absence' form.

HASLEMERE POPPY APPEAL 2019

We are appealing for much needed volunteer Poppy street collectors to help us in Haslemere.

The street collections take place from Monday 28th October - Saturday 9th November, at the following locations: Waitrose, Tescos, Marks and Spencer, High Street, Haslemere Station - timing between 09.00 - 17.00. If you could spend an hour or two supporting the Haslemere Poppy Appeal during this period, this would be fantastic and gratefully accepted. If you would like to know more and are interested to volunteer during this year's appeal, please contact me on 01428 608184 or via email jam3s3dwards@hotmail.com.

With many thanks

Jim Edwards, Poppy Appeal Organiser, Haslemere SE15

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BIG THANK YOU

We would like to thank Mr Kehinde for taking some wonderful photographs last week. These will be used to update the school website next term.

JUMP ROPE UK

Well done to all children who took part in the Jump Rope UK course at school on Wednesday. We had a fantastic demonstration assembly and every class took part in a workshop. We were inspired by Tiffany's amazing tricks and skills and hopefully children can continue to practice what they have learnt over half-term. If any children would like to order a rope from Jump Rope UK and didn't purchase one on the day please email the Office and we will send you a form.

INTER SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Well done to all children that took part in the Inter School Cross Country at Bohunt School last week. Shottermill achieved some fantastic results with a good number of podium finishes!

Year 3 Boys Competition: 2nd Place- George J

Year 4 Girls Competition: 2nd Place - Lily and 3rd Place - Rose

Year 5 Girls Competition: 3rd Place - Jess

Year 6 Girls Competition: 1st Place - Clovie

Inspired by Eliud Kipchoge? Do you agree that 'No human is limited?' Well on this note, and for all of our keen runners, why not try a Park Run or Kids Park Run over half-term. They are on Saturday mornings and free to enter. Go and join in and enjoy the fun! You just need to register online at www.parkrun.org.uk and look for your nearest event. We would love to hear how you got on!

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ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to everyone who took part in our NSPCC sponsored obstacle course; the children raised an AMAZING £925.25. Well done!

Congratulations to Phoebe Potton from Year 5, who completed a Memory Walk in memory of her late Grandfather. Well done Phoebe!



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KEY DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM 2019

October	
Friday 25 th October	Recommended deadline for Y6 Secondary School Transfer applications to be submitted
Monday 28th – Friday 1st November	HALF TERM
Wednesday 31 st October	Secondary School Transfer deadline application
November	
Thursday 7 th November	Open Morning for future Y3 children: 9:15 – 10:15am
Thursday 7 th November	Y3 Police Visit to discuss Stranger Danger: 1:15 – 2:15pm
Monday 11th November	SCHOOL INSET DAY
Tuesday 12 th November	Y4 Stone Age Workshop
Tuesday 12 th November	Parent Forum Meeting: 1:30 – 3:00pm
Friday 15 th November	Y4 Cake Sale: After school in the playground
Tuesday 19 th November	Open Afternoon for future Y3 children: 2:00 – 3:00pm
Thursday 21 st November	Y4 Parent Workshop: 9:00 – 10:00am
Friday 22 nd November	PTFA Toy Story 4 Movie Night: 6:30 – 8:00pm
Monday 25 th November	Y6 Nurse in for height and weight checks (optional)
Tuesday 26 th November	Y6 Drumming Workshop
Thursday 28 th November	Optional Flu Vaccinations in School – please register your child
December	
Friday 6 th December	PTFA Christmas Fair: 5:00 – 7:30pm
Monday 9 th December	Last week of School run clubs
Tuesday 10 th December	Wreath Making Workshop for Parents: 6:00 – 8:00pm
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas Carol Service: Y3 & Y4 (am) and Y5 & Y6 (pm)
Friday 13 th December	Harmony in Red Choir performing at Hasleway Community Centre: 1:30 – 2:30pm
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Pantomime – Beauty & The Beast
Friday 20th December	END OF TERM: 1:30pm Finish
January	
Monday 6th January	School INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	Back to School
Thursday 9 th January	Y4 Police Visit to discuss Internet Safety: 1:15 – 2:15pm
Thursday 23 rd January	Young Voices: 11:00 – 12:00am
Friday 24th January	SCHOOL INSET DAY

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