

# SHOTTERMILL JUNIOR SCHOOL

Newsletter

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## SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Individual school photographs will be taken on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September. If Tuesday is a PE day for your child they will still need to come into school in their PE kit but could wear their white polo shirt rather than the yellow PE top if you prefer. If your child has a sibling in school they will also be photographed together.

## REQUEST FOR ABSENCE

Thank you to the parents who have been filling in the 'Request for absence' form. We do require a completed form for any absence (holiday or medical) your child has from school, even if this is just 15 minutes. Any absence taken without a completed form will be classed as unauthorised absence. A copy of the form is attached for your records.

If your child is unwell please inform the School Office **before 9am** either by phone or email so they can be marked as absent in the register.

## MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We would like to invite parents to our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 8.45am-10.15am in the School Hall. There will be tea, coffee and cakes available to purchase, with all the money raised going to Macmillan Cancer Research.



If you are able to donate any cakes or biscuits please bring these to the School Office on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October. We would be very grateful. Please may items be clearly labelled so we know what they are and what they contain.

## PARENTS CONSULTATION

Further information will be sent to parents shortly, but we will be holding face to face meetings with your child's teacher in October. You will need to book your time slot via School Cloud, and you will be sent a link before they go live.

## PARENT FORUM

The next Parent Forum will take place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Parent Forum is an opportunity for each class rep to come into school to meet with the other class reps, Mrs Barnes and Mrs Davies to discuss all elements of life at Shottermill Junior School. If you have any feedback, comments or concerns which you would like to share please contact your class rep who can make sure it is raised. The minutes of the meeting will be posted on our website.

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## SAM MUSIC SERVICES

Our music lesson provider SAM are continuing with online lessons this term. They have found that the online lessons have worked brilliantly and pupils are progressing fast. Parents and pupils are able to watch playback videos of each lesson and receive weekly written feedback by their tutor, which has proved very beneficial for practice purposes.



SAM are offering a free, no-commitment taster lesson, which will hopefully encourage pupils interested in learning an instrument the opportunity of giving it a try! Parents can enquire by visiting [www.sammusicsservice.com](http://www.sammusicsservice.com) and completing the short enquiry form, or by calling 01273 465122 or emailing [lessons@sammusicsservice.com](mailto:lessons@sammusicsservice.com).

## SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFER

Just a reminder to parents that **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021** is the closing date for applications to secondary school. Please visit [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](http://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions) for more information on the application process and admission arrangements for Surrey schools. If you pay your Council Tax outside Surrey, please contact your Local Authority directly for details about the application process. If you require any help, please contact the School Office who will be happy to assist.

## WIZZBITS TOYSHOP

One of our parents owns Wizzbits Toyshop, which is located on Haslemere High Street. This wonderful shop is bursting with fun and imaginative toys, games and traditional gifts for all ages. Please find attached a 10% off voucher.

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## KEY DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM 2021

September	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 3 Haslemere Museum visit
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	School photographs
October	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET DAY
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Bohunt School in to talk to children and parents in the playground
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Macmillan Coffee Morning: 8.45am-10.15am
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival service for Years 3 and 4 at St Stephen's Church
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Recommended deadline for Year 6 Secondary School Transfer applications to be submitted
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	INSET DAY
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	HALF TERM
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Secondary School transfer deadline application
November	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations - optional
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Forum
w/c 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying week
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Stone Age workshop
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	School Nurses in for Year 6 height and weight measurements - optional
December	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service at St Stephen's Church
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Pantomime visiting school
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	END OF TERM: 1:30pm finish
January	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Spring Term begins

*Penalty Notices - Just to remind parents/carers that if you take your child out of school without authority, you will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive four penalty notices. Our full Attendance Policy is available to view on our website.*

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