



COVID UPDATE

Due to positive Covid cases in Year 6 we have reintroduced some of our Covid measures to minimise the potential spread within school. **It is extremely important that children showing symptoms of being unwell stay at home.** PCR testing is the most reliable indicator of a Covid-19 infection and we would advise (if you have symptoms) to arrange a test for all members of the family to limit the spread of infection – particularly between siblings. Drive-through test centres will always provide the quickest result so we would recommend these over postal PCR kits.

To reiterate the changes that have been put in place this week are:

- Year 6 are no longer joining the whole school for assemblies and we will move to virtual assemblies if cases occur in other year groups.
- Year 6 have been allocated a separate playground space for break and lunchtimes, as well as a separate area of the dining hall for school cooked meals.
- We have also cancelled ECAs until further notice, as this involves all of the children mixing up across the school.
- We are reintroducing the one-way system to help reduce children passing each other in corridors.
- Adults have also been asked to wear masks where they cannot socially distance from one another in communal spaces and we would be grateful if parents would also wear masks when entering the school building.
- Parents have been reminded to avoid coming into School unnecessarily. Please refrain from dropping off forgotten items.
- We have made the decision to move to a virtual Parents Consultation evening. More information will be coming out to parents about how to book appointments via the SchoolCloud platform, in the next few days.

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HEAD BOY AND HEAD GIRL

We are delighted to announce that our new Head Boy and Head Girl are **Daniel Brewer** and **Isla Ross**. Both impressed us so much with their application and the reasons why they would be wonderful role models and ambassadors of the School. We asked them to write a short introduction (see below) and we look forward to them settling into their new role this academic year.

Head Girl – Isla Ross

Hi everyone, my name is Isla and it's my privilege to be the new Head Girl for the school. I am excited that I will represent the school and am looking forward to working with our new Head Boy and all of you to make sure that our school continues to strive to be a place where everyone can have fun and love learning and be respectful of each other. I have a twin brother, Innis who is in 6W and we are both 11. My mum and dad encourage me to be myself and help others. I'm very creative and love dancing and singing. I also adore art and design. I'm also quite an adventurous girl and I'm looking forward to many wonderful adventures with you all in Shottermill Junior School. It's going to be a fantastic year!

Head Boy – Daniel Brewer

Hi, my name is Daniel Brewer and I am honoured to be Head Boy for this amazing school. I'm really looking forward to representing the school this year. I'm very keen on sport but also enjoy a calming lesson of art. The younger pupils may have seen me on the playground or in an ECA as I like to make sure they're included. I'm very friendly so if they have any worries they can talk to me. I'd like to set up some new lunchtime clubs run by Y6's so there is something different to do at lunchtime.



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FLU VACCINATIONS

Our School Nurse will be in School on Monday 8th November to vaccinate children against flu. This is an optional nasal flu vaccine. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine please complete the e-consent form at: <http://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). Please complete this even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccine. Please complete this by Monday 1st November, when the portal closes.

GOING HOME WITH SOMEONE ELSE

If your child is going home with someone different please send your child into school with a note for their teacher, or email/call the School Office before lunchtime.

YEAR 6 HEIGHT AND WEIGHT MEASUREMENTS

Please remember to give consent/opt-out for your child's height and weight measurements to be taken on Tuesday 23rd November by our School Nurses. A letter regarding this was sent to parents last week but please contact the School Office if you need another copy.

SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFER

Just a reminder to parents that **Sunday 31st October 2021** is the closing date for applications to secondary school. Please visit 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.

PARENTING COURSES

Attached are flyers for two courses that are being run by Waverley Family Centre.

Parenting Puzzle for parents with 2-10 years olds – via Zoom
4 week evening course starting 3rd November

Talking Teens with parents with children in Year 5 through teens
4 week course at Waverley Family Centre Loseley
Starting 10th November



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NEW TREASURER

The PTFA are looking for a new Treasurer to work alongside the Co-Chairs organising events and managing the financial side of the PTFA. Responsibilities will mostly include monitoring the bank account, income and expenses and organising the floats and counting income generated from events.

No financial experience is necessary! Please contact the School Office or ptfashottermilljns@gmail.com if interested.

OCTOBER HALF-TERM AT HASLEMERE MUSEUM

Please find attached a flyer with information on half-term activities running at Haslemere Museum, including Halloween themed arts and crafts, a Halloween Town Procession and an event to celebrate the 95th anniversary of Winnie the Pooh.

CYC:D FREE SESSION

CYC:D in Haslemere have contacted us to offer all parents a free session (flyer attached).



"We are running a community initiative to get people back to exercise following the ups and downs of Covid. We would like to offer all parents and staff at Shottermill a free session at CYC:D Studio, located just off Haslemere High Street. We offer group exercise classes in YOGA, HIIT, CYCLE, PILATES, BARRE & STRENGTH. To book your free session with us, call or drop us an e-mail to let us know which class you'd like to come to and we'll get you booked in. We can't wait to see you in the Studio."

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KEY DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM 2021

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