



INSET DAYS

We have an inset day scheduled for Friday 24th May, this will be our last inset day of the academic year. We have had a few emails from parents asking if the last day of term in July will also be an inset day and we can confirm that the inset day in May is our final inset day.

REMINDERS

Please may we remind parents to order their child's lunch – we are getting many children visiting the Office (mainly on a Monday) as their parents haven't booked their lunches. We would be very grateful if parents could try to remember as it's helpful to us and your child.

With our residential school trips approaching in the coming weeks thank you to all those parents who have paid their instalments on time. The success and feasibility of school trips really does come down to this. If you are struggling to pay for anything please do let the School Office know.

PARENTS' CONSULTATION

Bookings will open today at 10am for the forthcoming parents' consultations. These are face to face meetings with your child's class teacher and they will take place on Wednesday 7th February between 1.20pm-8pm. The meeting will be 10 minutes in length. Please book via School Cloud [SchoolCloud - Shottermill Junior School](#). If you are having trouble logging in please do contact the School Office – please note sometimes the salutation (Mr, Miss, Ms etc) is specific so it may be worth trying Ms as well as Miss if you are having trouble.

YEAR 3 GREEK DAY

This week Year 3 had Greek Day! It was an amazing action packed, fact filled and fun day as always. Mike (our Greek expert) never fails to entertain the children with his gory stories about the Greeks, dazzle them with challenging puzzles to solve and tax their brains with a strategy game invented by the Greeks. The children in turn were absolutely fantastic with their enthusiasm, manners and participation. They thoroughly enjoyed the drills - showing off their superb shields, the Olympics Athens v Sparta and then acting out the story of Jason and the Golden Fleece. Look out for the pictures on Google classroom and ask your child what was the best part.

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FUNDRAISING

A wonderful group of Year 4 mums have pledged to walk 30km on Saturday 18th May to raise money for the school. Their aim is to raise £1,000 which will go towards a new lighting and PA system in the school hall. Hopefully this will make school productions, assemblies and PTFA events even better!

If you would like to help spur the ladies on please visit their fundraising page! Thank you ladies, we are very grateful! <https://gofund.me/2ea3e56e>

CRICKET

Please find attached information about Girls Cricket at Grayshott Cricket Club (suitable for 8-15 years), and Easter cricket club at Grayshott sports field (2nd-4th April) and winter indoor cricket coaching which starts at Amesbury School in February.

ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH

St Stephen's will be offering a free weekly daytime Alpha course for all parents and carers starting on Monday 5th February 11.45am - 1.15pm (a break for half term on Monday 12th Feb). This is a wonderful opportunity to meet with others and explore the Christian faith in a warm and friendly environment. A creche/pre-school childcare will be provided during the sessions. Children are invited to bring a packed lunch with them and join a "Teddy Bears picnic", and a light lunch will be provided for the adults. Alpha is for anyone who has questions about life and faith in general, regardless of their background, and there is no obligation to complete the whole course (6 sessions). Sessions will be held in The Cross building next to St Stephen's Church (GU27 1NS) with on-site car parking.

There is also an evening Alpha sessions which starts on Wednesday 31st January for seven weeks from 8pm – 9pm. For more information call 01428 642609 or visit [St. Stephen's Church Shottermill – An Anglican Church In Haslemere, Surrey](http://St.Stephen'sChurchShottermill-AnAnglicanChurchInHaslemere,Surrey) (shottermillparish.org.uk)

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KEY DATES FOR 2023-2024

	January 2024
Tuesday 30 th January	Year 4 Parent workshop: 9.15am-10.15am
	February
Tuesday 6 th February	Governors Meeting
Wednesday 7 th February	Parents Afternoon/Evening: 1.30pm-8pm
Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th February	Half-Term
Monday 19 th February	Year 5 Science Learning Dome in school
Wednesday 21 st February	6W attending the HHH Classical Concert at St Christopher's Church
Thursday 22 nd February	6H attending the HHH Classical Concert at St Christopher's Church
Thursday 22 nd February	Year 4 Artist visit in school
	March
Friday 1 st March	Year 3 class assembly: 9.10am
Monday 4 th March	Year 4 to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 8 th March	Let Girls Play – International Women's Day
Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd March	Year 6 Bikeability (optional)
Thursday 21 st March	Easter Service at St Stephen's for Years 3 and 4: 10am
Thursday 21 st March	Governors Meeting
Friday 22 nd March	Year 5 class assembly: 9.10am
Wednesday 27 th March	PTFA Disco: 6pm-7.30pm
Thursday 28 th March	End of Term: 1.30pm finish
	April
Monday 15 th April	Start of the Summer Term
Thursday 18 th April	Eco Day
Friday 19 th April	PTFA Quiz Night: 6.30pm (parents and guardians only)
Thursday 25 th April	Governors Meeting
	May
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 13 th - Friday 17 th May	Year 6 SATS week
Tuesday 21 st May	3N to Pizza Express (3G will be in June)
Wednesday 22 nd May	Year 6 to Chessington
Friday 24 th May	Inset Day

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Penalty Notices - Just to remind parents/carers that if you take your child out of for 10 sessions or more and the 'leave of absence' is without the authority of the head teacher, each parent is liable to receive a penalty notice for each child who is absent. The amount payable on issue of a Penalty Notice is £60 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice, rising to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. If the Penalty Notice is not paid within 28 days, the Local Authority must consider a prosecution for failing to ensure regular school attendance under Section 444 Education Act 1996. Our full Attendance Policy is available to view on our website.

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