



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

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Dates for your diary:

2014

21 - **INSET**

22 - **Summer Holiday**

Term Dates for 2014/2015

Autumn Term

Start - Mon 1st September

Half Term - 27th - 31st October

End - Friday 19th December

Spring Term (2015)

Start - Mon 5th January

Half Term - 16th-20th February

End - Friday 27th March

Summer Term

Start - Monday 13th April

Half Term - 25th - 29th May

End - 20th July 2015

INSET

Monday 1st September 2014

Tuesday 2nd September 2014

Monday 5th January 2015

Thursday 7th May 2015

Monday 20th July 2015

September

1 - **INSET**

2 - **INSET**

3 - Back to school

3 - Y3 Coffee Morning

5 - Coffee Morning

8 - Y3 Stardust Dance Taster

11 - Y3 Judo Taster

17 - School Council Mtg

18 - Y3 Info Evening

23 - Y4 Info Evening

24 - Y5 class to Woodgate

Valley Country Park

24 - Y5 Info Eve (6.00pm)

24 - Y6 Info Eve (7.00pm)

25 - Y5 class to Woodgate

Valley Country Park

26 - PTA MacMillan Coffee

Morning

October

29/30/1/2/3 - Y6 at Redridge

1 - Y5 class to Woodgate Valley

Country Park

1 - School Council Mtg

3 - Coffee Morning

6 - Open Day

9 - Parents Forum

15 - School Council Mtg

16 - Open Day

20-24 - One World Week

22 - Open Day

24 - PTA Bonfire Extravaganza

Amazingly, that's another year over! Fittingly, the Y6 saw us off in style with an amazing performance of *Bugsy Malone*, a fabulous set of memories at their Leavers Tea and then an amazing Leavers' Award ceremony!

The citations read out to our winners exemplified the spirit and values of Sharmans perfectly! *Courage, teamship, community and achievement* all shone out. Although only won by a few, there were so many more children who could have won those awards and we are really proud of them. My thanks to Alan Rapley, the former GB Olympic Team Captain, for coming to present those awards and spend some time with us.

On a personal note, my many thanks for all of the kind messages of support that I have received. If I have only been partially successful as they suggest, then I will leave a very happy and proud man.

We are all of us merely stewards, taking care of the present for the future. It has been an honour to serve here and I thank you all for your support and wish you the very best for the future. I know that I leave the school in good hands!

Take Care. Burn bright and reach for the stars!

Mark

I can't quite believe that we have come to the end of another academic year; time definitely flies when you're having fun! Well done to everyone for a fabulous year and good luck to all of our wonderful Year 6 children moving on to pastures new, please keep popping back to see us as it's always lovely to hear how you are getting on and to find out about your future successes. Work hard, be brilliant and always keep a little bit of Sharmans in your heart. I'm sure that you'd agree that these sentiments also very much apply to Mark. You have taken the school on an amazing journey and we will all miss you very much. Don't be a stranger!

Thank you to everyone I've spoken to over the past few weeks for your kind words of encouragement and support for my future role as Acting Headteacher. I'm feeling really excited about leading the school and working with such a fabulous school community although, admittedly, September feels a long way away! Wishing you all a happy, safe and hopefully sun-filled Summer holiday and see you all on September 3rd.

Jane Ferguson

Sharmans PTA



The Bupa Great Birmingham Run 2014 takes place on Sunday 19 October 2014 and we are lucky to have a runner raising funds for the Sharmans PTA, a registered charity. Andy Dellbridge, who lives almost opposite the school and will have his two boys at Sharmans Cross from Streetsbrook in the next few years has agreed to don his vest and running shoes to try and raise £1500 for the PTA to be able to pay for projects or equipment for the school. We need your support please.

You can find Andy's fund-raising page on MyDonate located at:

<https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/andydellbridge>.

Any sponsorship of Andy would be appreciated, no matter how big or small, every pound counts. Please pass the message on to family and friends to help get involved in supporting the PTA. The PTA is now registered for Gift Aid so tax relief will be eligible for any sponsors who are UK income tax payers and this can be pledged through MyDonate when giving sponsorship.

Fancy running to raise funds yourself? If not, do you want to raise sponsorship money for the PTA by doing something else? If so, brilliant, please just go into the MyDonate site through the Sharmans Cross PTA page at <https://mydonate.bt.com/charities/sharmanscrosspta>, set yourself up through a few simple steps and away you go!

We will give regular updates on all fund-raising progress.

Thank you for your support and helping make a difference for our children.

The PTA.

Sharmans Loves Reading!

To celebrate our love of reading, we would like to invite children to take a photo of themselves reading in a strange place! We will use these photos to make a display in our library, and there will be prizes for the most unusual places! Please email your photos to s45tboon@sharmans-cross.solihull.sch.uk

Good luck! I can't wait to see your entries!

Miss Boon

