



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

Dates for your diary:

2015

February

10th - Safer Internet Day
11th - School Council
12th - PTA Disco
13th - School Bank
16th - 20th **Half Term**
26th - PTA Meeting

March

4th School Council
6th - Coffee Morning
11th - 13th Y5 @ York
12th - PTA Meeting
13th - Comic Relief
16th - Y4 Performance
17th - Y4 Performance
18th - School Council
23rd - 27th Y5 Bikeability
26th - Parents Evening
27th - **TERM ENDS!!**

April

13th - **TERM BEGINS!**
14th - SEN Coffee Morning
15th - School Council
21st - Y5 Professor McGinty Visit
22nd - School Council
29th - School Council
30th - PTA Meeting (7.30pm)

May

4th - Bank Holiday
7th - INSET DAY
8th - School Bank
11th - 15th - SATS Week



**SCHOOL NURSE TEAM CONTACT
NUMBER =**
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0121 746 4435

Dear Parents,

Another really busy week has passed and the children were a credit to both yourselves and the school during our teaching and learning review. Our visitors commented on the impeccable manners pupils displayed and how welcome they were made to feel.

Mrs Whitcombe, our Family Support Worker, will be available each day on the gate before and after school. Please do raise any questions or concerns you have with her and she will be very happy to help and advise.

Please could I request that all pupils dismount from scooters/bikes before they enter school? On a number of occasions this week, I have seen pupils riding around on the school grounds and I am of course concerned that this could cause an accident. Thank you for supporting this.

Water bottles and pencil cases! I have asked staff to store the water bottles on the sink area in classrooms and to of course allow pupils to have water during all transition times (which is at least every hour). Also, pupils are welcome to bring in their own stationery, however, each teacher does already provide everything pupils require. I have asked for pencil cases to be stored in bags or drawers and used as and when directed by teachers. At the moment, there is so much on the tables pupils are continually moving things around to enable them to work in their books! Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

During my many enjoyable conversations with children at lunchtime, it has become apparent that our pupils are very talented and I would like to share and celebrate achievements with our school community. If your child achieves an award, certificate, man of the match or passes an exam, for example, and you would this mentioned in the newsletter, please e-mail into school at office@sharmans-cross.solihull.sch.uk and we will include your child's name and the achievement in the next newsletter.

Best wishes for a relaxing weekend,

Miss Wilkes

Value for the week beginning 9th February 2015

Value of the week is Safety

SC KIDS CLUB

Please note we have limited spaces **Wednesday pm** week commencing 9th February 15.
Unfortunately due to lack of numbers we will **only** be open **Wednesday & Thursday** in the Half Term week.
However we have exciting activities planned for these days and there are still places available.

Many Thanks
SC Kids

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**INCONSIDERATE PARKING**

We have once again received complaints from neighbours about parents who appear to be parking as close as possible to school, even if this means blocking drives. We do appreciate the frustration that parking can cause in an area of high demand and low supply. However, ultimately it is the safety of our children, as well as the rest of the community that we have to consider.

Please work with us to keep ALL of our children safe by parking both safely and courteously around the school.  
Thank You!

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MEDICAL CONDITIONS.

Please can you keep the school informed of any medical conditions your child may have, especially relating to Asthma at this time of year. Could we please ask that an Asthma Inhaler is held in the school office for any child who has one prescribed.

Many Thanks.

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**PIANO IN NEED OF A GOOD HOME!!**

We have a Piano in need of some attention and a good home. If you are interested then please call the Office on 0121 705 2379 to arrange collection with Mr Reich.

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Outdoor learning and Gardening Club

NEWS FLASH!

Well done to the new Gardening Reps who did a fabulous job on Monday preparing the garden for everyone to use! We know that they will be great representatives for each class, looking after their areas and helping keep the school looking great for plants and wildlife. Each Monday at 12.15pm, they meet in the Garden area to decide what jobs are needed each week. If anyone has any help or resources that they could donate, please get in contact with Mrs Snowden.

We have a new and exciting project linked to Outdoor Learning and Gardening where all of the classes will be involved in a competition to create the best gardening area. During our Outdoor Learning time, the children will be involved in planning, planting and looking after their areas. Outdoor learning lessons will be judged in the summer term on the way they look as well as what they produce so get your thinking caps on!

We are looking to gather Outdoor Learning dates for each class at the beginning of each half term so watch this space as they will be published on the newsletter so that everyone remembers to bring the correct clothing on the correct date.

Happy exploring and gardening everyone!

Mrs Snowden.

PS Watch this space for our sunflower competition that will be taking place during the summer term!

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**SEN COFFEE MORNING**

On **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>** April we will host an SEN coffee morning focussing on Emotional Health and Wellbeing. This will be attended by Inga Tarkowska from MENCAP, Inga will be available to discuss the new reforms for SEND and the effect this may have on children and their families.

Look forward to seeing lots of you there!

Jane Ferguson