



Newsletter 20th Sept 2019

Message from the Headteacher

We were certainly blessed with good weather for our Braeside trip last week. Year 5 were outstanding and a huge credit to you as parents and the school.

Thank you to all who were able to attend one of our meet the teacher events over the last few days. We take our partnership with you very seriously and want to re-iterate that we are working TOGETHER to ensure that your child makes the best of all opportunities presented. As you will have been reminded at the meetings, we can only do so much in the hours we have them at school. Your child needs you to support them at home with reading, spellings, number facts and times tables practice. It is an indisputable fact that children who have this support at home do better at school. This time is a vital gift you can give to your child that costs you nothing!

We are having a big focus on VOCABULARY this year using an approach called "Word Aware". Research has shown that children with a wider vocabulary of words they understand are better able to read, write and communicate than those with limited vocabulary. As adults, we can all too often make assumptions that children understand all the words we use. This can sometimes not be the case and can lead to misunderstanding and misconceptions. The solution is remarkably simple. When talking with your child, introduce and explain some "more complicated" words and encourage them to use them in context. With younger children it can be as simple as describing the fruit you are putting in your shopping basket. With older children the discussions can be linked to history or science. The subject doesn't really matter, it is just a case of having fun exploring words!

Best wishes

Simon White

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"Thank you so much for providing such a wonderful experience at Braeside last week. My daughter had a fantastic time (as she has always done on school trips and residential). I say this every year but I don't think it can be said enough: Shaw school is fantastic for many reasons but one of its exceptional qualities is the enrichment opportunities it provides for all children. I know that many other primary schools do not offer residential trips to nearly every year group and Shaw children are incredibly lucky to have this. Trips like this take a lot of work both behind the scenes and during and I am grateful that staff give up a considerable amount of their free time (often being away from their own young families) to make it happen. Thank you once again." Yr 5 Parent

Our current Mission Shaw Christian value is...

HOPE - We are looking at some of Jesus' most well known sayings this term – and linking them to our values. This week we looked at Jesus' words "This is how you should pray." We talked about how The Lord's Prayer brings HOPE to many people and challenged ourselves to bring HOPE to our classes this week.

Dates for your diary

Wed 2nd Oct	Yr 1 Zoolab visits us in school.
Friday 11th October	2.15 – Harvest Service in Church
Thu 10th Oct	PAFOS AGM – 7.30 - Library
Thurs 17th October	Open Day Tours at; 9.15, 11.00, 1.30
Fri 18th Oct	PAFOS Disco – 4-5.30 (NOTE NEW TIMINGS)
Wed 23rd Oct	Term ends 3.15. ASC runs as usual.
Turs 24th Oct – Sun 3rd Nov	Half term holiday
Mon 4th Nov	TD Day – school closed to pupils
Tues 5th Nov	Term begins
Wed 6th Nov	Yr 6 trip to Steam Museum
Mon 11th Nov	Anti-Bullying Week
Mon 11th Nov	Parents Evening 3.30 – 7pm
Wed 13th Nov	NEW photography company in to take individual photos.
Wed 13th Nov	Parents evening 2.15 – 5pm
Fri 15th Nov	Children in Need Day?
Thurs 5th Dec	Dress down day for bottle tombola.
Fri 6th Dec	Christmas Fayre 2.45 – 4.30
Wed 11th Dec	Christingle Service – 6pm, Yr 3 and 4
Mon 16th Dec	2.30 – Reception class Scratch Nativity
Tues 17th Dec	2pm – KS1 Nativity
Wed 18th Dec	6pm – KS1 Nativity
Thur 19th Dec	Children’s Christmas Lunch
Fri 20th Dec	Carol Service 1.30, school ends 2.30. No After School Club.
Sat 21st Dec – Sun 5th Jan	Christmas Holiday
Mon 6th Jan	TD Day – school closed to pupils
Tues 7th Jan	Term begins

REMAINING TD Days 2019-20

Mon 4th November 2019	
Mon 6th January 2020	
Mon 24th February 2020	
Mon 6th July 2020	

Nasal flu vaccination – Electronic consent

Just to remind you that the immunisation team will be offering the flu vaccination to all Primary aged children. This will take place between October – December 2019 during school hours, as last year the consent will need to be completed electronically. Please access the portal via the following link.

<https://schoolimms.virginicare.co.uk/flu/2019/wilts>

The link is secure, please carefully select Shaw CE Primary school from the drop-down menu, this will ensure that the consent is in the right place. Full details and information to assist you in completing the form are detailed on the portal, including full FAQ’s, patient information and contact details should you wish to speak to a nurse regarding the nasal vaccination.

If you have any difficulties or queries with this process, please do not hesitate to contact the team on 03002470082.

