



Newsletter 2nd October 20

Dear Parents and Friends,

After a month back in school, we have reviewed all of our systems and processes to ensure that they remain fit for purpose. As we always knew, some aspects would have to be tweaked and changed over time. Generally, the systems and bubbles are working fine. However, the likely change in the weather over the next few weeks means that we need to review playtime arrangements so that we can maintain playtime bubbles even when the field is out of use. This means that from Monday there will be some slight changes to timings in the school day for some classes. **These have no effect at all on drop off and pick up times**, and are simply slight changes to the timings of playtimes and lunchtimes. All will be explained to the children on Monday!

Please see the information on the next page about how we are planning to support Melksham Food Bank in our Harvest celebrations again this year.

Most of you will know Mrs Galloway, who has been a TA at Shaw for many years. She has made the decision to leave Shaw School at Half Term. I am sure that you will all join me in thanking her and wishing her well at the appropriate time!

Kind regards
Simon White

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We are a Jigsaw Flagship School!



Our current Mission Shaw Christian value is...

COMPASSION Even though our assemblies will not be all together, they will still be held regularly in our class bubbles. Compassion is such a vital Mission Shaw value. It moves our focus away from what is good for us to what is good for others. Harvest time is a great practical expression of this. Although we will not be gathering in Church, it is still our intention to celebrate harvest through our usual collections for Melksham Food Bank, who need our support more than ever. Details to follow.

Dates for your diary

September	
October	
Thurs 8th October	Harvest donations for Melksham Food Bank to be brought in.
Wed 21st Oct	Last day of term. School ends at usual bubble pick up times.
Thurs 22nd Oct	Half term holiday
November	
Mon 2nd Nov	TD Day – school closed to children
Tues 3rd Nov	Term 2 begins for children.
WB 23rd Nov	Telephone parents evenings – details to follow.
December	
Friday 18th Dec	Last day of term. School end pick up times to be confirmed but provisionally 2.00 and 2.15. No ASC
January	
Mon 4th Jan	TD Day – school closed to children
Tues 5th Jan	Term 3 begins for all children.
February	
Fri 12th Feb	Last day of term – usual pick up time
Mon 22nd Feb	TD Day – school closed to children
Tues 23rd Feb	Term 4 begins
March	
Wed 31st Mar	Provisional Easter Service - afternoon
April	
Thu 1st Apr	Last day of term. Early finish time.
Mon 19th Apr	Term 5 begins
May	
Mon 3rd May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Mon 24th _ Fri 28th May	Yr 6 to Cornwall – We hope!
Fri 28th May	End of term – usual pick up time
June	
Mon 7th June	Term 6 begins
July	
Mon 5th July	TD Day – school closed to pupil
Fri 23rd July	Last day of term – Early finish.
September 21	
Wed 1st Sep	Provisional - TD Day
Thurs 2nd Sept	Provisional - Term 1 begins

Harvest Donations

We are supporting Melksham Food Bank again this year. They are asking for the following donations

Uht Milk Tinned Potatoes Tinned Soup Tinned Custard Tinned Peas Tinned Fruit Tinned Rice Jam Squash Biscuits Tinned Carrots Tinned Meat Noodles Children's sweets.

If you are in a position to be able to donate these items then please send them in to school on Thursday 8th October. They will then be quarantined for 72 hours before being pickup up by the Food bank.

Thank you

Jigsaw Flagship School

You may recall that over Lockdown we were notified of a prestigious award. Shaw School is now a JIGSAW FLAGSHIP SCHOOL in recognition of our strong Personal, Social, Health , Emotional and Wellbeing curriculum.

This excellent curriculum has formed the basis of our special “return from lockdown” provision in PSHE which every child has benefitted from since September.

We have now moved back on to our usual PSHE provision, which included time for mindfulness, reflection and the exploration of the topics Being Me in My World, Celebrating difference, Dreams and Goals, Healthy Me, Relationships and Changing Me.

The scheme complies fully with the new Government statutory guidance for PSHE. Next term, we will be sending our new policy and the framework to parents for your information and comment.