

Shoscombe Church School

Inspiring everyone to shine



Shoscombe
Church School

Newsletter
8th February 2019

Upcoming Events

11th Feb (2:30pm): Meeting for parents to meet new governing body and Alun Williams

18th – 22nd Feb: half term

28th Feb: FOSSA Meeting 7.30 p.m.

5th March – Pancake races

6th March (6m) – Speak out competition

7th March: World Book Day

11th – 15th March: Science Week

18th March – Running Man visiting school

20th March – Writing Cafe

22nd March: Litter picking

28th March: Whole School Music Concert

29th March: Mother's Day Lunch (lunchtime)

31st March – 3rd April: Erasmus trip to France

2nd April: Dance Umbrella

4th April: Easter Service (9.00 am) followed by egg rolling and Easter Bonnet parade

5th April: Easter Walk and Egg Hunt with St Julian's

5th April: End of term

NB Parents' Evenings will be held on 24th and 25th April.

Food Bank Vouchers

are available at school.
Please speak to Mrs Noall.

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Following some training from the Bath and Wells Diocese, we have slightly updated our strap-line vision. The Church of England's vision for education is that "each school's distinctive Christian vision enables all pupils and adults to flourish". Therefore we have changed 'every child' to 'everyone'. Our vision and values remain the same:

We inspire and nurture our children to discover their unique potential. Individuals will shine with self-belief and go into the world with the determination and resilience to follow their dreams. Our Core Values that we live and breathe every day are: Creativity & Wonder, Respect, Aspiration, Joy, Empathy, Resilience

We continue to work closely with St Julian's Church School in Wellow, but since joining the MNSP Trust we are working closely with several other local primary schools. Therefore the over-arching vision that we share with St Julian's remains as true as ever:

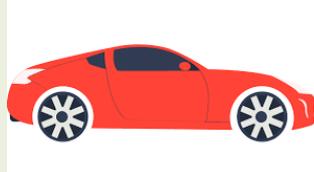
Small schools, big aspirations:

Branching out for learning

Jesus said 'I am the vine and you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit.' (John 15:5).

This vision and bible verse has also been the focus of our Tuesday church services this term. Our children have been guided to reflect on the fruits of the spirit they could have in their own lives. Through trusting in God we can bear the fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

Staff car park request



Please can parents refrain from parking in the staff car park at any time. When the padlock is locked, only members of staff may unlock it.
Thank you



**We have several children with allergies to nuts. Please do not send snacks or lunches to school that contain nuts.
Thank you**

Please check your child's hair regularly for head lice. The following link offers helpful advice: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits/>



Attendance this week to date: The class with the best attendance is %

www.shoscombe.bathnes.sch.uk

An opportunity to meet our governors and the CEO of Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership – Monday 11th February @ 2:30pm

- Every parent and carer is invited to this meeting
- Meet our new board of governors - they are as passionate about the school as you are
- Ask them questions about how they will support and challenge the school
- Please come with questions, comments or suggestions. We are here to listen to your views.
- Please feel free just to listen and find out more about the school's plans for improvement and development.

Breakfast Club
7:45am-8:45am



This is open every day. You can use it occasionally or on a regular basis. You will be billed at the end of the week, so you don't need to worry about just turning up on the morning.

Please complete a registration form before your first session (health and safety requirement).

We have the breakfast; we have the games and activities – we now need the children!

Vacancy

Our lunchtime provider, Dolce, require someone to serve our lunches 5 days a week, term time only. The hours are from 11.30 to 1.30 pm and it is paid at Living Wage.

If you are interested please contact Teresa at Westfield School on 07703 812481.

Shoscombe Seedlings

Baby and Toddler Group
New and exciting play session at
Shoscombe Church School

Wednesdays 9:15-11:00

Age 0-4
All welcome!

Come along for a cuppa and a chat while your child has the chance to play and explore our activities and make new friends.

World Book Day - all you need to know...

- Thursday 7th March
- Children may come to school dressed as their favourite book character and bring a book to share with other children in their class
- 5pm – bedtime stories. Children may come back to school dressed in pyjamas and slippers to be read bedtime stories.
- Book sale in the hall while children are listening to their bedtime story.
- Details of a sponsored Readathon to follow

British Science Week - all you need to know...

- Monday 11th March – Friday 15th March
- Monday: Performance highlighting problem of plastic pollution
- Tuesday: Visit from Wessex Water
- All week: investigations and experiments linked to water
- Friday: Planetarium shows all day
- Friday: Year 6 visit Bath Taps

Curriculum Update - Mathematics at Shoscombe School

Maths Café

Tuesday, February 5th



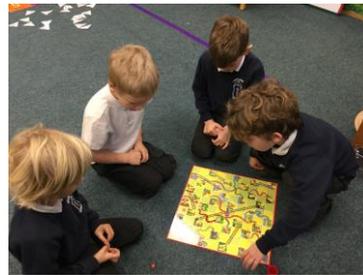
This week we held our first Maths Café in school. Parents and carers were invited to come and find out about how we have changed the way in which maths is being taught, as well as having the opportunity to visit classes and join in with some games and activities. We discussed how children's fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills are developed, and how these skills work together to develop maths mastery. Along with this, we showed how the concrete-pictorial-abstract approach we are using has helped children's mathematical confidence and understanding through the use of practical, hands-on resources, drawing representations of mathematical calculations and problems, and representing calculations in more traditional ways.



The children loved welcoming adults into their classes and having the chance to show off their mathematical skills, it was wonderful to see them being the teachers.

Thank you to everyone who came along, it was great to see so many of you there.

Mrs Noall



Curriculum Update - Home Learning

The teachers have reviewed and evaluated our Home Learning Policy. This can now be found on our school website. If you have any questions about homework please speak to your child's class teacher.