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THIS WEEK

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to you all! We have had a really positive start to the new academic year. During my learning walks I have found children to be very well settled and displaying excellent attitudes to their learning - they are shining examples of the "Sherington Way!" A special welcome to our new reception children and their families - we hope that you are going to really enjoy being part of the Sherington community. Welcome to our new staff too - they have all settled in really well and are very much part of the team already! Talking of the Sherington team - unfortunately Mr Hinchliffe's hip replacement surgery has been delayed by a week. His last day before the operation will be 24^{th} September and we hope he will be able to return before Christmas. Our new School Based Provision is now up and running and the children who access this are already benefitting from the bespoke provision - we are confident that this will be a very positive addition to Sherington's educational offer.

Virtues and Character Strengths

The children in Years 1-6 are all very excited about the virtue that has been assigned to their year group and to working towards their virtues assembly. Parents and carers are invited to see these assemblies and all of the dates are on the calendar. If possible, please can children wear their Virtues Ambassador badges earned last year, to school every day. Replacement badges can be purchased from the office.

Journals

We are very excited about our new Reading/Learning Journals which we will be sending home next week. In response to parental feedback, the curriculum newsletters have been replaced with more specific curriculum overviews and these will be stuck into their journals. A letter explaining how the journals will work will be sent with the journals next week.

Term Dates

We know that it helps parents and carers to have term and INSET dates as far in advance as possible. The dates for 2026-2027 have been planned and they will be finalised and published next week - we hope that this proves helpful.

The Term Ahead

Please do familiarise yourselves with the school calendar as the autumn term is always busy! We are really looking forward to all of the special events that we have planned and look forward to welcoming parents and carers to some of these.

Have a great weekend! Best wishes, Hannah Freeman

Attendance

The award for last week's attendance goes to Amber and Alexandrite with 100%

Word of the Day

This week's vocabulary has been: hilarious, falter, elusive, devastate and influence. How will you weave them into conversation this weekend?

Sherington Poet Laureate

We are delighted to announce that Dylan in Year 4 has been crowned as Sherington's new Poet Laureate. Dylan, along with 18 other pupils, took part in a poetry workshop where they wrote poems inspired by our Arts Week theme of Journeys. Each child responded to the stimuli with creativity, curiosity, persistence and a true love of learning, producing thoughtful and moving pieces which they shared bravely in assembly. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing Laureate, Raffi, for the many beautiful poems he has written to mark Sherington events over the past year. A huge well done to all who took part, and warm congratulations to Dylan on this wonderful achievement!

Time Boat

Childhood – waves crash against the rickety boat.

Parenting – tsunamis rain down on an old ship.

Life is an age... a rollercoaster of age.

Old age gently ripples through the newborn sea.

Teenage times lean against the gallion.

Life is an age... a rollercoaster of age.

8 years of play trickle past,
Great grandchildren are born – toying around with the humble boat.
Life is an age... a rollercoaster of age.

Time is nearly finished but there is still more to come,
Suddenly I awaken.
The boat starts sinking – battered and worn.
And the patient sea engulfs it.

I jump off the boat and swim...
I swim to the island that holds my next adventure.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 16th September

Year 1 meet the teacher 9am Creation Station

Wednesday 17th September

Year 2 meet the teacher 9am Creation Station

Thursday 18th September

Year 3 meet the teacher 9am Creation Station

Friday 19th September

Nasal flu vaccination YR-6. Please complete the online consent form to opt in or out. https://cypcis.kingstonandrichmond.nhs.uk/flu/2025/greenwich

Monday 22nd September

Democracy Week

Tuesday 23rd September

Year R meet the teacher 9am Creation Station

Wednesday 1st October

Black History Month



Fundraising

I am doing a big swim in September: swimming the Dart10k (a 10,000 metre swim down the River Dart). This is known as a marathon swim distance. I'm raising money for level water, a charity that helps children with disabilities learn to swim. Any donations would be greatly appreciated! Thank you, Miss Armson



https://www.justgiving.com/page/m-armson

Sherington parent Nick Harding is cycling from Land's End to John O'Groats for Alzheimer's Research UK. If you would like to donate, please visit https://www.justgiving.com/page/nickharding1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL



USEFUL INFORMATION

Governors

We are strongly supportive of the school's ethos, share the enthusiasm and excitement for learning that pupils and staff have and are immensely proud of Sherington's outstanding achievements. We are committed to the Sherington vision of "Aspire Believe Create Achieve" and between us, bring a wide variety of skills and experience to our role. Governors can be contacted on governors@sherington.greenwich.sch.uk For more information, click here: Sherington Governors

Pupil Premium

The Pupil Premium is extra government money which is paid to schools to support children's learning and development.

You may be entitled to the Pupil Premium Grant if you meet the financial criteria. Click on this link below to see if your child is entitled to this additional funding. We can also support you in finding out if your child could receive the extra money. The grant is paid directly to the school and we use the money to provide additional support to eligible children. Children who are eligible for the grant can receive financial support from the school with paying for school trips, clubs and uniform. https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

Sherington Xtra

Collection:

Please contact via text 07907517599 when a different adult is collecting from Sherington Xtra, stating the following details:

Childs name. Adult name & Password

At collection, you will be prompted for the password, so please ensure this has been set up – and a polite reminder that last collection is at 5:55pm. If you are collecting from more than one venue (nursery, hall or Creation Station), please ensure that all children are collected by the stated time.

IN THE LOCAL AREA

Greenwich Supports

Get help with the cost of living.

You can find lots of information here about support from the council, local charities and community groups.

https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/Greenwich-Supports





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