



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

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Dates for your diary:

2014

July

4 - Summer Fair
4 - SEN Coffee Morning
8 - Sports Day
8/9/10/11/14 - Book Fair
9 - Open Evening
10 - Y4 Cricket Festival
14/15/16 - Y6 at Solihull School
14/15/16/17/18 - Y3 swimming
16 - Y6 Performance at Solihull School
17 - Leavers' Tea
17 - Leavers' Disco
18 - Leavers' Assembly
21 - **INSET**
22 - **Summer Holiday**

Term Dates for 2014/2015

Autumn Term

Start -
Mon 1st September 2014
Half Term -
27th - 31st October 2014
End -
Friday 19th December 2014

Spring Term

Start -
Monday 5th January 2015
Half Term -
16th-20th February 2015
End -
Friday 27th March 2015

Summer Term

Start -
Monday 13th April 2015
Half Term -
25th - 29th May 2015
End -
20th July 2015

INSET

Monday 1st September 2014
Tuesday 2nd September 2014
Monday 5th January 2015
Thursday 7th May 2015
Monday 20th July 2015

September

1 - **INSET**
2 - **INSET**
3 - Back to school
3 - Y3 coffee morning
5 - Coffee morning

A school can be a very confusing place. Not least because we actually operate within three different time zones! We have a calendar year, a financial year and then of course an academic year! Therefore it can often feel like New Year's Eve all the time! We are currently heading towards one of those significant moments.

Whilst everyone is busy beavering away to do all of those things that need to be done in the current academic year and supporting all children to make continuing and improving progress, I'm sure that there is a little part of them thinking about September and all it holds in store. After all, its only human nature!

Children will already be aware of their new class teachers for next September and these will be confirmed in the reports that we send out to you next week. Some of you may be wondering who these teachers are, given a number of carefully considered new appointments that have been made over the last few weeks in preparation for the new school year.

Sadly, these appointments mean that we will be saying goodbye to some members of the Sharmans Cross community, along with the current Y6 pupils.

Mrs Gale is leaving us to take up a new and exciting challenge as a consultant / co-ordinator for a company that promotes and organises enterprise education within schools. This means that she can do on a broader scale those activities that she developed and nurtured here as part of our work based learning curriculum, including Enterprise Week.

Mrs Roden, Miss Helm as was, has achieved a promotion and will be leaving us to take up a Modern Foreign Languages Co-ordinator role in sunny Smethwick, my neck of the woods!

Not leaving us, but taking up different roles in school aimed at improving the quality of the work that we are able to do, will be Miss Boon, acting Deputy Head, and Miss Turley, extending her role as a non-class based SENCo.

Mrs Ferguson, the governors and myself have been hard at work and have been able to appoint four superb new teachers to join the team, one of whom has already worked here previously! We are delighted to welcome back Mr Butler along with Miss Pillinger, Mrs Schroeter and Mr Anwar.

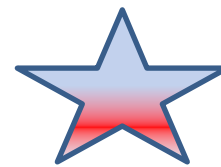
However, whilst the faces may change, the ethos and vision remain the same!

Have a good weekend!

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PTA Summer Fair



6.00pm – 8.30pm on Friday 4th July 2014

The Summer Fair is fast approaching and PTA still need help with running stalls, setting up and clearing away. If anyone can offer any help please can they either contact the PTA directly or let any of the office staff know.

Important Consultations

Currently, the Local Authority are carrying out two consultations on the future of two critical services within Solihull. Firstly, they are seeking your views on the 0-5 years provision, with particular regard to the Children's Centre resources within the borough. Secondly, they want to know your thoughts on a proposed restructuring of the Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Services.

Given the fundamental impact both of these services can have upon all of our lives, we would urge to make your voice heard via the webpages below:

www.solihull.gov.uk/Portals/0/Consultations/childrenscentreconsultation.pdf [Closes 6th July]

www.solihullccg.nhs.uk/get-involved/emotional-wellbeing-and-mental-health-services-for-children-and-young-people [Closes 29th June]

Sport at Sharmans

What a fabulous few weeks for Sharmans Cross both inside and outside school! Here are just a few of the things that have happened:

Y5 Cricket team are through to the finals next week.

Rounders Tournament: A great day had by Y6 rounders team who did us proud.

House Football: We have had our Y5 and 6 House Football Tournaments and the final results will be out next week.

Borough Sports: Well done to the Y5 and 6 children who represented our school. As always, you were a credit to us! Many great individual and team results!

Y5 and Y6 Girls relay teams got to the finals.

Medals for Joe Farrell (High Jump) and Maisie Hunt (Sprint).



Y6 Boys Country Cricket Finals. The boys came 3rd out of over 100 schools! They played as a solid team throughout their 6 matches (with 5 wins) to get to the final and were narrowly beaten to 2nd place by just 12 runs.

Y6 Girls Country Cricket Finals: As this goes to print, the Girls are playing their final matches. They won all 3 games in the heats so we'll let you know the results next week!

As always, a huge thank you to the teachers and parents who have supported the children with lifts, organising and continued support. I have spoken to many schools over the last few weeks who do not have this level of commitment. We are truly lucky to have your backing which enables our children to have so many important experiences.

Don't forget Sports Day 8th July (BRAND NEW TEACHER RACE, BRAND NEW PARENTS RACE!)

Thank you!

Mrs Snowden

Clerk to Governors Post

The Governing Body of Sharmans Cross are seeking to appoint a Clerk from September 2014 to work effectively with the Chair of Governors, the Governing Body and its Committees, the Head Teacher and other relevant stakeholders. Further details are available on the www.wmjjobs.co.uk.