



Sharples Primary School

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The Sharples family ensures our children are resilient learners, healthy and aspirational citizens. We will create a love of lifelong learning that extends beyond the classroom as a result of an enriching curriculum. The school community will make a difference by fostering respect and tolerance of each other as unique individuals.

Dear Parents/ Carers,

February 2024

The weeks and months are flying by and we are already halfway through the academic year! The children have been very busy with their learning this half term and it lovely to see the progress in their books.

Rock Steady

Rock Steady lessons are proving very popular and the children get lots out of attending the lessons. All the bands are almost full, so if you are thinking about enrolling there are not many spaces left! It is lovely to see how the bands are developing not only in musical ability but also confidence.

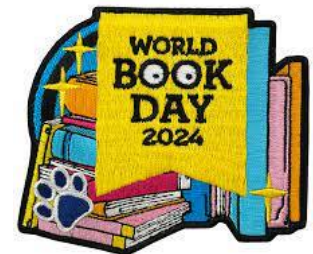


Bring your wellies!

Now that the weather is becoming brighter we want to use our school field more. We would like all children to keep a named pair of wellies in school so that when they go on to the school field they can change into appropriate footwear.

World Book Day

This year we will celebrate our love of books on Thursday 7th March. We have not got a theme and children can come dressed as a character from a book that they enjoy. Parents can come in to the hall from 8:15am to share books and a piece of toast with the children.



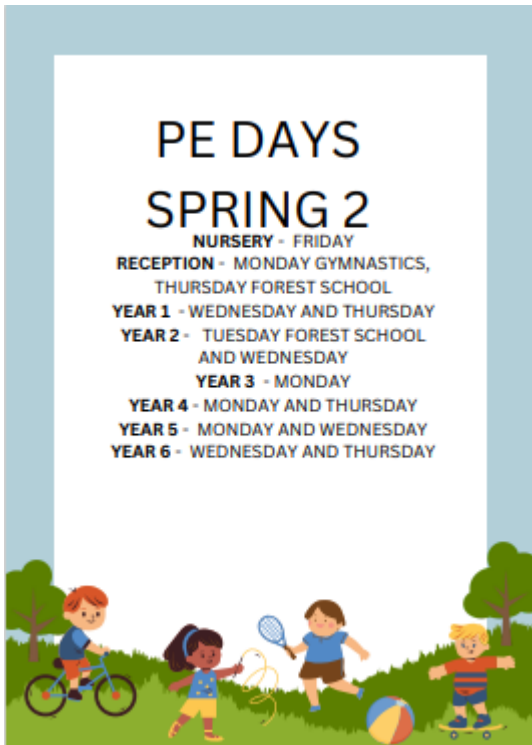
Dinners are £2.47 a day - so it is £12.35 a week - 4 full weeks and a 4 day week till Easter so £59.28 in total. If your child is changing to packed lunches or school lunches for the half term please let the office know ASAP.

PE update



We are very excited to be holding our first Tri Kidz event on Friday 8th March. All children Y1 to 6 to wear PE kit on this day. TriKidz is a 'participation based' triathlon project aimed at primary school children, it's completely inclusive and our 'tag line' is swim, bike, fun... The children will replicate swimming by using resistance bands, the children cycle on our adapted racing bikes (on static trainers... don't need to be capable of riding a bike) and the running part is simple.

PE dates for Spring 2



Next half term is a short one of only 5 weeks however these 5 weeks are very busy. Just a reminder we start back on Monday 26th February. The Bulb Show will be at 2pm this is for all children in nursery, reception, year 1 and 2, Y4 Easter Assembly at 9.05.

MARCH

THUR 7TH WORLD BOOK DAY AND
READING BREAKFAST
TUES 5TH PARENTS MEETINGS
FRI 15TH RED NOSE DAY
MON 18 PSA MEETING 9.00
THURS 21ST NON UNIFORM CHOCOLATE
FRI 22ND EYFS/ KS1 SPRING BULB SHOW
THURS 28TH Y4 EASTER ASSEMBLY
WED 27TH CHOCOLATE BINGO 3.30
THURS 28TH END OF TERM 2.00 FINISH

Stay and learns.

Thank you so much to all the adults who have attended one of our stay and learns this term. Following feedback we are going to tweak this slightly so that different key stages will be at different times. We are also going to hold a parent information session in the hall prior to the session where progression in skills will be discussed.

LPPA

As you are aware, we have been working really hard to refine systems at school and build further links with parents. This half term we have had an audit from the Leading Parent Partnership Group. During the day, the assessor spoke with parents, children and staff and systems in place. She also looked at evidence and we are very proud to say we have been successful with the accreditation. This shows schools continued commitment to the Sharples Family. Thank you to everyone who took part in the day but also to all our Sharples Family for your continued support. A special shout out to Mr Lloyd who led the project.



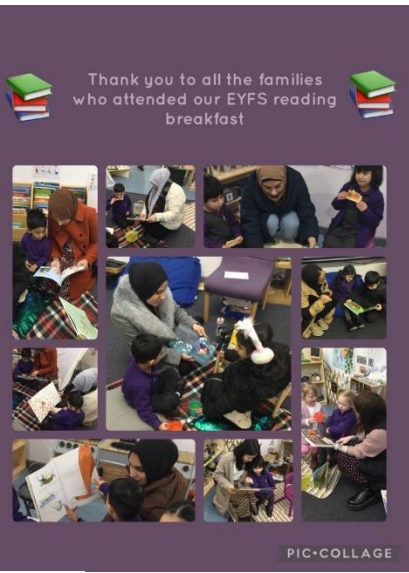
Over the last 12 months, Mrs Tomany has been completed her National Professional Qualification for Leading Behaviour and Culture. She has worked extremely hard and we are all proud of her achievement in the qualification – well done Mrs Tomany.

Staffing update:

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Howard from her maternity leave, she will be teaching in Year 6 in the afternoons as well as delivering French lessons. In addition, I would like to Welcome Mrs Philips and Mrs Slater who have joined our teaching assistant team. This term we have two student teachers in Year 1 Miss Withnell and Year 4 Miss Hardman I am sure you will make them feel very welcome.

Learning Highlights

We have been very busy over the half term – we can fit lots into 6 weeks! Next term we have our Spring assessments where we will be able to measure all the progress the children are making.





Have a lovely half term,
Mrs Partington

Head Teacher

