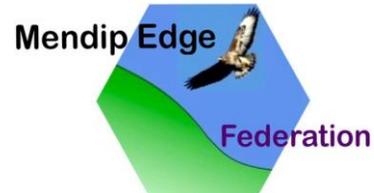




SHIPHAM C OF E FIRST SCHOOL
FEBRUARY 2016



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

DIARY DATES SPRING TERM 2016

26 th February	No multisports
29 th February	Year 4 Pilgrimage Day at Wells Cathedral
1 st March	Year 4 to Fairlands to see Year 5 Play
3 rd March	Year 2 Multisports - Fairlands
7 th March	Blackrock visit to Earth Sciences Centre
9 th March	1.30 – 3pm Year 2 Singing in Cheddar
10 th March	Fairlands visit Blackrock – French afternoon
15 th March	3.30 – 5pm Parents Evening
16 th March	3.45pm Shipham/Draycott v Weare Football Match @ Draycott
16 th March	5-7pm Parents Evening
17 th March	Film Club
18 th March	Sports Relief
23 rd March	3.45pm Shipham/Draycott v Axbridge Football Match @ Axbridge
24 th March	2.30pm Family Service
24 th March	5.30 – 7pm School Disco

PUBLISHED POETRY

We have been asked by the Parents Therapy Court Manager in Bristol to send some children's poetry to them so that they can publish some of the best. We would like the children to send in a poem, there is no limit to the theme, and we will send the poems to Bristol. The closing date for entries is 31st March so we will need the poems back in school by **Wednesday 23rd March**.

BOOK FAIR

A big thank you to all parents and grandparents who supported the school Book Fair. It raised over £500 to spend on books for the school. The school will be starting the library refurbishment this term and some of the books will be used to restock the library.



FILM CLUB

Film Club will be on the following date this term:

Thursday 17th March:
'Shrek the Third' or 'Matilda'

The club costs £4.50 which includes refreshments.



PARENTS EVENING

Parents evenings will be held this term on 15th March 3.30 – 5pm and 16th March 5-7pm. Forms will be sent out next week with preferences for times and dates. These meetings are to discuss progress and agree targets for the forthcoming term. We encourage all parents to make an appointment.

NEWS REPORTS FOR SHIPHAM SCHOOL

We have a new roving reporter for the school. James Leader, as part of his Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award, has volunteered to produce weekly news items for the school. Please take a look at our website where James has been keeping the school community updated with the latest news from the school www.shiphamfirst.co.uk

MESSAGE FROM THE FOODBANK

In the last 6 months Shipham School and Church have donated 117kg of food. Since April 1st 2015, 58 vouchers have been issued to customers in Cheddar and Shipham providing food for a total of 92 adults and 57 children. As you can see there is a real need for the Food Bank in the local area and it is anticipated there will be a similar if not slightly increased demand in the coming year.

For those who wish to donate, there is a list of suggested items for donation next to the boxes in the Church porch, School reception area and village web site. However at the moment there is a shortage of sugar (granulated is fine) also tinned vegetables, tinned potatoes, cereal for children, washing powder & washing up liquid, deodorant. Cartons of fruit juice/long life milk would also be very welcome as would treats for children.

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

Further to the last newsletter, we have had a volunteer to DJ at the school disco, and offers to loan the school some Disco Lights. The school disco will be on Thursday 24th March 5.30pm – 7pm at a cost of £2 to include drinks. A separate letter with permission slip will be sent out next month.

The council have decided to hold an Easter Egg raffle again this year. They are asking for donations of easter eggs which can be brought in to the school office. Raffle tickets will be on sale from 14th March and will be sold at the beginning and end of the school day by the School Council. The draw will take place on Thursday 24th March.



MULTISPORTS

A reminder that there is no multisports this Friday but it will start again next week. There is no football this half term but we are trying to set up some rugby and cricket sessions if there are enough children interested which will start after Easter. More details to follow later in the term.

SPORT RELIEF

We will be supporting Sport Relief on Friday 18th March. Children will be able to come into school in their favourite sporting outfit or wear something red for a minimum donation of £1. There will be various events on the day including running a mile and Blackrock performing a group dance. Miss Fournier will be sending out more details soon.

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