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# SHAFTESBURY NEWS



## CHARACTER VALUE OF THE WEEK: SELF-AWARENESS

*"Your visions will become clear only when you can look into your own heart. Who looks outside, dreams; who looks inside, awakes." — C.G. Jung*

## PARENTS' EVENINGS

Parents' evenings will be held on  
**Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th October 2025, from 3:30pm to 6:30pm.**

On Monday 22nd September, parents will receive an email inviting them to book their children's parents' evening appointments.

If any parents don't receive an invite by Wednesday morning, please see the class teacher or contact the school office.

Both face-to-face and virtual appointments with the class teachers are offered to parents. Please do not miss this opportunity to learn about your child's progress in school.

## ATTENDANCE

Parents and carers are required by law to ensure that children of compulsory school age receive efficient full time education. **This means that you are responsible for ensuring that your child attends school regularly.** Regular attendance at school is important so that every child has the opportunity to reach their full potential.

We have to keep accurate daily registers of each pupil's attendance by law. If your child is away from school, the absence can be "authorised" or "unauthorised" and the school will decide whether the reason for absence is acceptable.

We expect you to tell us if your child is not going to be in school and the reason for the absence as soon as possible, preferably before **10.00am** by telephone or email. We have an automated answering service to leave messages concerning absentees. Please do not ask your child to explain.

We do operate a first day response. If we have not heard from you by **10.00am** you will be contacted to ask why your child is not in school. If we have no valid reason for absence then we have to register it as "unauthorised".

If your child is having problems with coming to school, or with other children in school or class work, please come in and talk to the Headteacher. It is important that you let the school know as early as possible rather than let your child miss school.

**School starts at 8.40am and finishes at 3.05pm.**

## SEASONAL FLU IMMUNISATION

The seasonal flu immunisation will take place at our school on **Wednesday 29th October**. The immunisation service is changing the way they ask for vaccination consents. **The SAIS team will now contact parents directly to request consent for vaccinations, instead of information being sent via school.**

This new approach will make it quicker and easier for parents to give or refuse consent for vaccinations. A letter with details has been emailed to all parents.

## YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

The online application process for secondary school places opened on Monday, 1st September. Application letters have been sent home via the children today.

If any parents /carers would like assistance with applying for their child's secondary school, a member of staff from **'Choice Advice Services'** will be in school to help with the applications on **Monday 6th October from 8.30am-9.30am**. You do **not** have to wait for this session if you know how to apply online.

Parents can apply by visiting the following link:  
[Apply for a school place - Self](#)

Please note that the **closing date** for secondary school applications is **31st October 2025**.

## HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES

Here at Shaftesbury, we operate a healthy eating policy. In your child's packed lunch box, please do not include sweets, chocolates or fizzy drinks. Please include healthy items such as bread, pasta, fruit, salad, vegetables, yoghurts, cheese, lower-sugar snacks and water.

**SHAFTESBURY IS A NUT-FREE SCHOOL!**  
**No nuts please, or any items containing nuts.**

For healthy lunch box ideas please visit:  
<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>



## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Children will be having their individual school photos taken on **Wednesday 24th September**.



If any parents would like photos taken with siblings please come along between 8.30am-9am.

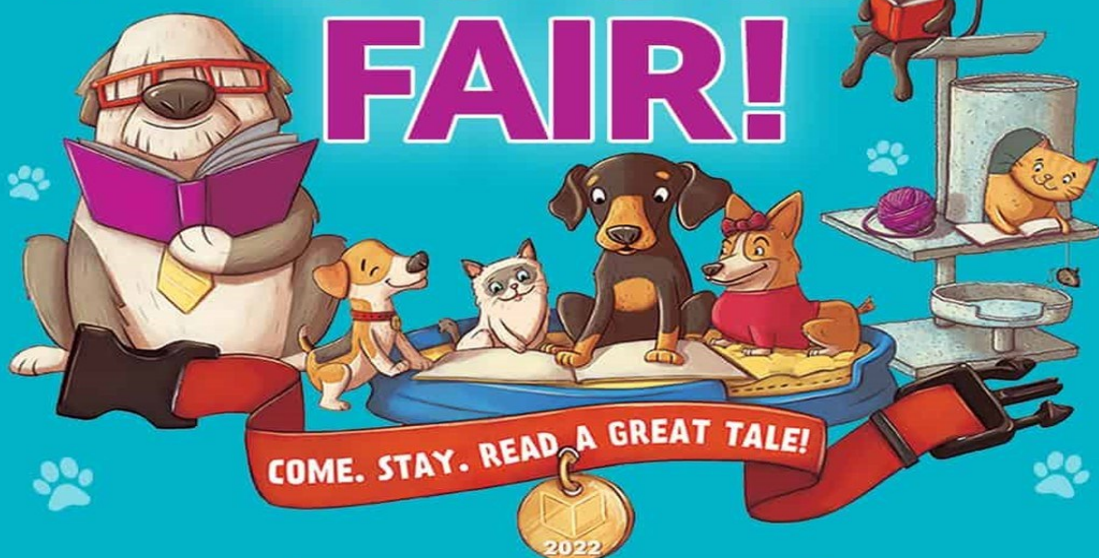
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# COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR!



 SCHOLASTIC

**Week commencing 6th October**

**Monday 3:05pm to 3:45pm**  
**Tuesday 3:05pm to 6:00pm**  
**Wednesday 3:05pm to 6:00pm**  
**Thursday 3:05pm to 3:45pm**  
**Friday 3:05pm to 3:45pm**

**School hall**

**Great Christmas gifts!**



# Autumn Disco

**Wednesday 29th October**  
**6:00pm to 7:30pm**

**TICKETS: £4.00 EACH - ON SALE FROM 13TH OCTOBER**

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# WEEKLY AWARDS AND ATTENDANCE

## CLASS ATTENDANCE

3J: 98.6%  
 3T: 96.0%  
 4K: 98.7%  
 4W: 95.9%  
 5G: 94.0%  
 5P: 94.5%  
 6P: 98.7%  
 6S: 96.1%

Overall Attendance from  
 28.08.25 - 19.09.25:  
 96.7%

## WOW AWARDS

3T: Richard  
 3J: Havyar  
 4K: Shnya  
 4W: Shawn  
 5G: Adon  
 5P: Argonita  
 6P: Scarlette  
 6S: Theresa

TOP ATTENDANCE: 6P/4K 98.7%  
 PUNCTUALITY: 4K  
 LUNCHTIME: 5P

## HOUSE POINTS

1st: Ridley 258  
 2nd: Cranmer 251  
 3rd: Tyndale 233  
 3rd: Latimer 202

## WEEKLY HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Every week, two pupils from a year group are chosen for an outstanding piece of work. This is our celebration of their efforts. WELL DONE!



4W—Ivaniah

For always being a kind, confident and enthusiastic pupil who shows wonderful curiosity in her learning.

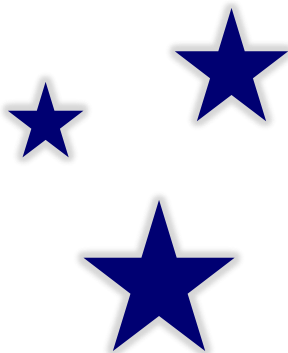


4K- Jaxson

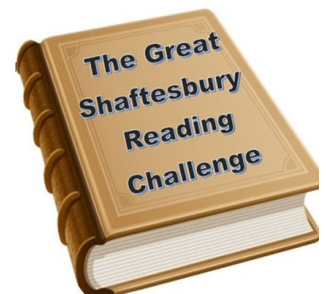
For being more independent in his learning. Keep it up!

## WE ❤️ LUNCHTIMES

- Lacole 6P: Self-regulation
- Zara 4W: Self-evaluation
- Maryam 5P: Self-motivation, independence
- Blessed 4K: Caring
- Ofure 5G: Kindness
- David 3J: Self-regulation Jennifer 6P: Kindness
- Deborah 5P: Kindness
- Lindon 5G: Sharing
- Nimah 6P: Respect
- Veera 6S: Kindness
- Ariana 3T: Kindness
- Raffaella 4W: Self-evaluation



## READING MILES



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