



Weekly Update

Friday 16th December 2022



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Merry Christmas from all at Shefford Lower School

WARM SPACES

Helpline: 07965 193902



As the temperature starts to drop this winter, our community is happy to provide anyone & everyone in need with a free, warm and safe space.

Monday


Shefford Methodist Church
10am - 2pm
Refreshments


Shefford Baptist Church
2pm - 6pm
Wifi
Board games
Refreshments

Tuesday


Shefford Library
9am - 6pm
Wifi
Free computer use


St Michael & All Angels Church
10am - 4pm
Jigsaw + board games
Refreshments
Soup at lunchtime

Wednesday


Shefford Library
9am - 6pm
Wifi
Free computer use
Coffee afternoon


Shefford Methodist Church
9:30am - 11am
Need Project walk-in
Refreshments


STMA Hall
11am - 2pm
Refreshments

Thursday


Shefford Library
9am - 6pm
Wifi
Free computer use
Rhyme time

Friday


Shefford Library
9am - 6pm
Wifi
Free computer use
Coffee afternoon



Shefford House
3pm - 5pm
Movie time
Refreshments

Saturday


Shefford Library
9am - 6pm
Wifi
Free computer use
LEGO club
= craft

Sunday


Morrisons Community Room
10am - 2pm
Limited spaces
Wifi
Refreshments

 All children must be accompanied by an adult.
Well-behaved dogs are permitted at selected venues.

Please know: We are an Operation Encompass School. This means that we work together with the police to respond quickly to instances of domestic abuse and/or violence. Staff in school are trained responders and we are a safe space.

Values

The values of December will be Peace & Understanding

"All we are saying, is give peace a chance." John Lennon.

Understanding what peace is, and how can we bring peace about—conciliation, finding resolutions and solving problems together. Understanding the other perspective and point of view. Learning to understand the needs of others.

House Points

Fire—1385

Water—1267

Air—1179

Earth—732

House Points and Attendance

W/E 09/12/22

Well done to last week's house winners.



House Attendance & Punctuality

Winner

Fire



Larry the Library Llama's adventures to Lapland to visit Father Christmas

He is hoping for lots of fun and laughter over the Christmas Holidays and is looking forward to hearing about all the children's stories when we come back on the 4th January 2023



Music News

The choir performed at Oak Manor Care Home yesterday and they called to say how very grateful they were and a big thank you to the children for the performance yesterday. The residents were absolutely thrilled and grateful for the effort made.

Thank you to everyone that joined us for 'Carols on the Playground' this afternoon. The children enjoyed performing all the Christmas songs they have been practicing.

Community News

Please note, the following events/activities are run independently of Shefford Lower.



**JACK COLLISON
SOCCER SCHOOL**

CHRISTMAS CAMP!

FESTIVE FOOTBALL, FUN, AND PRESENTS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 5-15!

2 DAYS ONLY! MONDAY 19TH / TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER, 10:00-15:00

ROBERT BLOOMFIELD ACADEMY, SHEFFORD

INDOORS (SPORTS HALL)

***** ONLY 40 SPACES AVAILABLE!!! *****



10% Discount for: NHS, Police, Fire Service, Military, Blue Light Card Holders and Siblings

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FOOTBALL CAMP

Date: 20-22 December 2022
Venue: Pendleton Sports Centre, Stotfold
Days: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
Age: 5-15 Years
Special Christmas Prices:
1 day - £20
2 days - £40
3 days - £50

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SBS, life cycles at pendleton, Shefford & District, GW, the wellness hub, Dan Gaze Support Service

Happy Little Yogi Breakfast Club @ Shefford Lower

Wednesday Jan 11th - March 29th (11 wks)
8am - 8.45am

Yoga
Meditation
Mindfulness
Breathing
Memory
Dance
Movement
Sound



Book via the QR Code or the link following link:

<https://www.happylittleyogi.com/classes/online-enrolment?type=a>

Any enquiries please email: jane@happylittleyogi.com




Time for Two's

Do you have a two year old who is struggling with talking? Having challenging behaviour or is a fussy eater? Come along to our play session for two-year-olds for support and information.

On Wednesday 30th November, 7th, 14th & 21st December at 10am- 11am

Arlesey Youth Centre

Week 1 Stories, rhymes and Free gifts
Week 2 Mark making and playdough fun
Week 3 Recyclable play and patterns of behaviour
Week 4 Personal, social and emotional development

To book a place call Shefford and Stotfold Children's Centre 0300 300 8112 or send us a Facebook message

Information about being ready for pre-school, transitioning, home learning, early reading and writing skills, ditch the dummy, child development, speech and language support available.

Safeguarding Information

At Shefford Lower School we take our responsibilities to promote safeguarding the welfare of all children seriously. The designated persons for safeguarding children is the Headteacher who can be contacted via the school office on 01462 629123

Please find useful information updated weekly

Mythbuster

Myth: "It doesn't matter that I haven't got time to help my child with homework."

Buster: OFSTED expect schools to set and monitor homework that is age appropriate. All schools keep a record of frequent instances that impact on a child's development alongside their peers. .

*Child Protection Online Management System

If you are concerned about a child outside of school you can phone 999 in an emergency or 101 to make a report. The NSPCC operated an urgent helpline on 0808800500




Safe Space

What is a Safe Space?

- a place for you to go if you need to access support
- a place where you can contact a domestic abuse support service who will be able to help you safely

For more information, speak to a member of staff or contact BDAP@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

@bedsdv
bedsdv.org.uk

The **Bedfordshire and Luton Children's Community Health HUB** is our one stop service for our Health Visiting, School Nursing 0-19 and our Looked after Children Teams for parents, carers and professionals. Our Luton Community Paediatric Service can also be contacted via this number, but for emails please continue to use their own dedicated email address.

To access the Health HUB call us on 0300 555 0606 or email: ccs.bedsandlutonchildrenshealthhub@nhs.net

Shefford Lower School

Diary Dates

(further dates will be added and these will be in bold italics)

2023 Upcoming Dates

4th January 2023	Welcome Children back to the Spring Term
25th January 2023	Year 2 Trip—Material Trail—St Albans—Parentmail to follow
1st February	Year 3—Egyptian Day—Visit from Howard Carter—Parentmail to follow
3rd February	EYFS Cake Sale—Charity TBC
3rd February	Coffee Morning—Invites to be sent
7th February	Teacher Consultation Evening—3.30pm—6.30pm
9th February	Teacher Consultation Evening—4.00pm—7.00pm
10th February	Bikeability—Year 4s
13th—17th February	Half Term
22nd February—29th March	Year 3—Swimming—Elm & Hawthorn
24th February—31st March	Year 3—Swimming—Cedar
15th—17 March	Year 4—Kingswood Residential Trip
22nd March	Year 1 Woburn Trip—Parentmail to follow
24th March	SEND Coffee Morning
29th March	Year 1 Cake Sale—Charity TBC
31st March	PSA Nearly New Uniform Sale
31st March	End of Term Easter Assembly
31st March	Last Day of Spring Term
3rd—5th April	Mr Tilbury's Holiday Club—Booking form to be released soon
18th April	Children Return

Moving to become a primary as part of Central Bedfordshire's Schools For The Future project.

<https://www.schoolsforthefuture.co.uk/>

To find Shefford Lower's Academic Calendar for 2022/2023 please refer to our website

[Term Dates Link](#)

Please note this will be different to the Central Bedfordshire

Drop off times—08.45—09.00am

Collection times—3.20pm

The school office will be open from 8.30am to 3.45pm for any queries, please call 01462 629123 or email

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