



Weekly Update

Friday 19th March



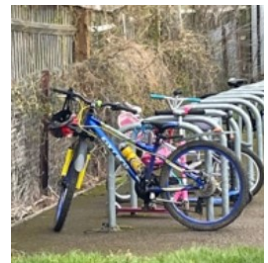
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Dear Families & Friends,

Red Nose Day and it's lovely to see so many children having fun and enjoying raising money for a good cause.

We are interviewing today, so will be introducing you to some new support staff. This is to ensure we have the capacity for our adaptations, and is funded from some of the catch up funds provided for the curriculum in school post-lockdown.

It's good to see so many active children, and to see bikes and scooters locked. Please remember there is a right of way through our carpark for the use of other buildings, so locking your items is essential. The school is not liable for any loss or damage.



The carpark remains a staff only carpark, except for disabled badge holders and those with special compensation.

Our one way system is in operation at the end of the day too. It is less easy to monitor, albeit this is not our job, we do try to. Please help us by adhering to the rules. Thank you

We still have some other restrictions in place, and it is with a heavy heart I can confirm we will not be allowed to book a residential. We will be making a great day trip and ensuring leavers hoodies too. More on this soon.

Dawn Til Dusk will be running their holiday club in the school during the Easter holidays, please see their poster further on in this update and do call them if you wish to book a place.

Our wonderful PSA held their AGM this week and Hannah Hubbard, Claire Newton and Nicola Burr have agreed to continue their roles as Chair, Treasurer and Secretary respectively with Gilly Mackilligan taking the role of Vice-Chair. Please do get in touch if you would like to join our wonderful PSA, they would always welcome new members.

Finally, congratulations to Miss Keech in the School Office on her new job after Easter, we wish her lots of luck for the future in her new role.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Finch

Values

The values from March 16th —April 3rd are **Trust and Honesty**

True to self, being trustworthy, what we look for in others we place our trust, differencing between lying and holding back full truth as equally dishonest.



With Red Nose sales and a non uniform day today Shefford Lower School raised an amazing

£760

WELL DONE EVERYONE

Shefford Sporting Successes

We celebrate children's sporting successes from home as well as those in school. Please send us photos of your child's certificates and medals which will be displayed on our PE celebration board. We know that most sports clubs won't be going ahead for a while but please can parents still send in any ways that children are keeping active at home so that we can celebrate this!

Congratulations to the following:

Year 2 Charlie W has raised money for Red Nose day by Scooting 5km, Biking 10km and Running 5km. So far he has raised £400—Absolute superstar. Well done.

House Points and Attendance

Well done to the winning houses, and last week for house points and attendance!

W/C 08/03/21



House Points

Air—806



Earth— 697

Fire—693

Water—630

House Attendance

Fire—98.76

Air—98.46

Water—97.79

Earth—95.00



Phone Calls Home

Teachers will be making phone calls home every week to let parents and carers know how well their child has been working and for showing school values! Keep up the good work Shefford Lower!

W/C 08/03/20

Reception

Peach — Eva H

Pear — Elizabeth J

Plum — Abigail B

Year 1

Chestnut — Daisy F

Holly — Harry W

Sycamore — Thea C

Year 2

Maple — Layla A

Oak — Oscar D

Willow — Rachel P

Year 3

Cedar — Livvie M-B

Elm — Alice P

Hawthorn — Charlotte R

Year 4

Ash — Kirstie M

Beech — Abbie H

Hazel — Jayden L



Sheffield Lower School

Easter Holiday Club

For children who attend Sheffield Lower in Years 1- 4



Year 1 - Monday 29th March 9.00am—3.30pm

Year 2 - Tuesday 30th March 9.00am—3.30pm

Year 3 & 4 - Wednesday 31st March 9.00am—3.30pm

Numbers are limited to 30 children per day and places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

£18.00 per day

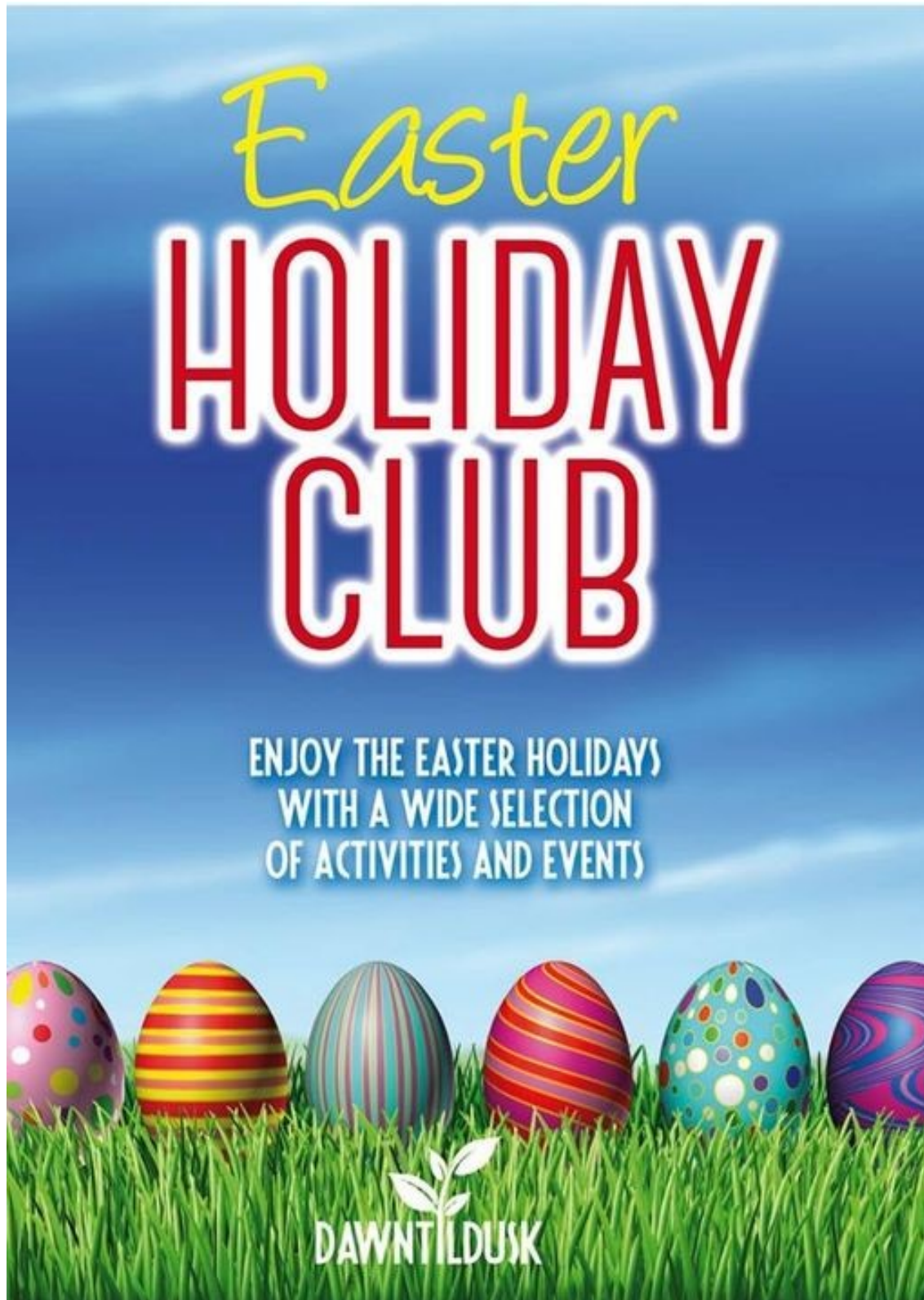
£12.00 per sibling

BOOK NOW !

Booking forms are available on ParentMail. Please contact the schooloffice@sheffield.cbeds.co.uk if you require a paper copy.

We are please to be offering a holiday club 8am until 4pm
during the Easter holidays.

For availability please contact Dawn until Dusk Head office on 01234 930505



PSA News

A massive thank you to everyone who attended our AGM on Wednesday. It is always nice to see everyone.

We are pleased to announce that the elected committee are all staying in role;

Hannah Hubbard as Chair,

Claire Newton as Treasurer

& Nicola Burr as Secretary.

We are also pleased to announce that Gilly MacKilligan is taking on the role of Vice-Chair.

Would you like to join the PSA?

One of the main benefits that people gain from being involved in the PSA is the feeling of contribution to their child's school life and also the social aspect of meeting other parents.

During our meetings we discuss ideas for future fundraising and community events for the benefit of the children at Shefford Lower School.

Does this sound like something you want to be a part of?

Please contact us through the school office or via our Facebook page to find out more about the PSA.

Your School Lottery & Easyfundraising

Thank you so much for your continued support with both of these ongoing fundraising projects that we are a part of.

If you are not already signed up then please check out our Facebook page over the weekend for more details.

A big thank you to everyone for your continued support of our PSA



If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of
smell or taste

This could be a sign of
coronavirus

Book a test

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or
feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in,
sense of smell or taste

These are
not normally symptoms of
coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial
111 or see your GP

parent safety measures

Walk the one way

The one way system prevents the risk of contamination from passers by, and also helps to maintain the social distancing.

Keep the distance

Covid spreads less easily if people aren't close to each other. We have marked out lines to stay behind, and a safety box at the door to keep clear. Please stay outside of the box when talking to teachers.

One adult per drop off or collection

With 500 families, keeping numbers down will help to keep you safe, reduce the infection rate and help to keep our school empty. Please do not arrive on site in twos, or threes, or with friends.

Fewer adults on site

at the same time

Our staggered timings reduce the numbers of adults on site at any one time. We know they don't fit everyone, particularly if you have several drop-offs, so please talk to us if you have exceptional challenges. We have classes using different doors, and we also request adults move on after their designated time to help us keep congestion down. We are available by phone or email to answer queries and support you.

Sanitise and hand wash

Kill the virus in its tracks by using soap or hand sanitiser, and support your child to understand the benefits of hand hygiene

Masks

If you enter the reception foyer, you will be in an enclosed space with other users. We advise you wear a mask. In all situations, please do not discard masks on the school grounds. Use bins or take them home to dispose of. We recommend contacting the office by phone or email in most circumstances.

**Thank you
for your support**



Community News

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



DECORATE BIKES

Must do holiday activity for kids!

Join in your local decorated bike ride day

Cycle or scoot out and about to show off your decorations. How many other decorated bikes or scooters you can spot? Stop off on your bike ride at the locations below to claim your free Easter gift or activity pack

ARLESEY Tuesday 6th April 10-12pm

Arlesey Youth centre - High Street, Arlesey SG15 6SN

SHEFFORD Wednesday 7th April 10-3pm

Shefford Children's centre - School Lane, Shefford SG17 5XA

STOTFOLD Thursday 8th April 10-3pm

Stotfold Children's centre - Rook Tree Lane, SG5 4DL

Each child with a decorated bike or scooter will receive a gift.

Great fun for children aged 1 to 12 years



Gifts are kindly donated by Morrison's - Co-op - The Need Project - Tesco



Parent Puzzle

Come and find out



How to get the best out of family life

**Book a place on the next virtual course
Starts Tuesday 20th April 10-11am**

*Transform your family life- join our 10-week
Nurturing programme for parents with
children 2 years - teenagers*

**Praise - Time out - Time in - Family Rules - Personal Power
Self-esteem - Feelings - Behaviours to ignore
Helping our children grow up**

If you are interested in attending our virtual 10week
programme via Microsoft Teams or have any further
questions, please contact the children's centre on

0300 300 8112 or email info@shefforddistrictcc.org.uk



Shefford and Stotfold Children's Centre
0300 300 8112



Diary Dates

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

Spring Term 2021	
26th March	Last Day of Term
29th March	Year 1 Easter Holiday Club
30th March	Year 2 Easter Holiday Club
31st March	Year 3 & 4 Easter Holiday Club
12th April	Inset Day
13th April	Children Return to School
14th April	Year 3 Egyptian Day
16th April	Year 4 Bikeability
28th April	Class Photos
19th April—30th April	The Big Pedal
<i>2nd July</i>	<i>Transition (Move Up) Day</i>