



# SHARPS COPSE NEWS



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## WELCOME AND FAREWELL

At the end of last term, we said a fond farewell to Mrs Setterfield, our Business Manager. Mrs Setterfield actually joined the school, as a pupil, in 1966! Returning in 1994 to work as a part-time Admin Assistant. Over the 30 years, she saw many changes and built many lasting memories with the children and their families. On her last day with us, Mrs Setterfield spent time in each and every class saying her goodbyes to the children. We wish her a very long and extremely well deserved, healthy and happy retirement and thank her for all she did for the school.

Mrs Jolliffe has now been appointed as the school's Business Manager, with Mrs Richardson taking over from Mrs Jolliffe as the Admin Officer for the school.

We also warmly welcome Ms Hewitt to the office team (& our Sharpy family!), working Wednesday afternoons, Thursday and Friday, alongside Mrs Burn. Please bear with them as they all settle into their new roles but as always, they are ready and willing to help you with your school queries.



## LATE ARRIVALS & COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS

We have noticed that a number of children are still arriving at school **late**. Please can we remind you that: all children are expected to be in school ready to learn by **8.50am**; it is very disruptive for the class teacher and fellow classmates if a child enters the classroom once lessons have begun. We also need to book the children's **lunches** with the kitchen before **10.30am**.

If there is a change to who usually collects your child(ren) after school, please contact the office ideally **before 12:00** by phone **02392 484545** or email at [adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk)

This is so we can inform teachers via their afternoon registers. We are currently receiving a lot of telephone calls **very late** in the afternoon regarding collection changes and this means that we're interrupting the children's learning to pass on messages; sometimes this happens repeatedly - thank you for your understanding.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE LIST

*Sweatshirts - £11.15 each*

*Fleeces - £15.95 each*

*Book bags - £6.45 each*

*Grey PE hoodies - £14.90 each*



Please visit our website [www.sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk](http://www.sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk) where orders can be placed by emailing us at [adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk) Please include your child's name in the **subject heading** and we'll size them up - payments to be made using the **SCOPay** account.

## KEEPING US INFORMED

Please continue to call us on **023 92484545** to let us know your child is going to be absent from school giving some indication how long they are likely to be away for and a reason for their absence, or email [adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@sharpscopse.hants.sch.uk) using the subject heading to put their name in. **It is essential we know why your child is absent from school.**

If circumstances change such as phone number, address, emergency contact details etc, please let us know via email to the admin address or by calling in to the school office to complete a form. The school office hours are **8.30am – 3.30pm** Monday to Friday, term time only; the answerphone is on out of school hours to leave a message. Thank you.



# Diary Dates 2024

**Friday 24th May - Last day of Summer 1 Term**

*Half term Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May*

**Monday 3rd June - First day of Summer 2 Term**

**Wednesday 5th June - Yr R Staunton Farm Trip**

**Thursday 13th June - Yr 6 Paddle boarding**

**Tuesday 9th July - Annual Report home to parents**

**Tuesday 9th July - Yr 5/6 Chocolate Workshop**

**Wednesday 10th July - Yr 5/6 Chocolate Workshop**

**Wednesday 10th July - Southsea Splash Park Angel Sharks**

**Thursday 11th July - Southsea Splash Park Tiger Sharks**

**Thursday 11th July - Yr 6 Bikeability**

**Friday 12th July - Yr 6 Bikeability**

**Monday 15th July - Yr 6 Bikeability**

**Wednesday 17th July - Yr 1 St Albans Church visit**

**Wednesday 17th July - Paulton's Park Yr 6**

**Monday 22nd July - Yr 6 Leavers Assembly 2:00pm**

**Tuesday 23rd July - Last day of Summer 2 Term**

*Summer holidays Wednesday 24th July -Friday 30th August*

**Monday 2nd September - Inset Day school CLOSED to pupils for Staff Training**

**Tuesday 3rd September - Inset Day school CLOSED to pupils for Staff Training**

**Wednesday 4th September - First day of school for Pupils**



**VAPING/CIGARETTES**  
We would like to remind **everyone** that there should be **NO Smoking or Vaping** anywhere on the Sharps Copse Primary Site.  
Thank you for your support in this matter.



**Letters issued to parents this half term via email:**

**Whole school letters -**

- **Census Day Information 16/5/24**
- **PiP External Poster**

*Please make sure we have your up to date email and telephone details.*



**Year R letters**

- **Dinosuar Museum Invite for Parents**
- **Yr R Splash Park Visit July**

**Year 1 letters**

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**Year 2 letters**

- **Multi skills after school club**
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**Year 3/4 letters**

- **Multi skills after school club**
- **KS2 Tennis after school club**
- **Yr 3/4 Science Excursion**

**Years 5/6 letters**

- **Yr 6 SATS information and breakfast**
- **Yr 6 Staunton Letter**
- **Yr 5 Warblington Masterclass**
- **Yr 6 Paultons Leavers Trip**

Please copy the link below which will enable you to sign up for Holiday Activities and Food Programme, this is for **families entitled to benefit-related Free School Meals only** . If you following the link and complete the form you will be given a unique booking code enabling you to book various activities during school holidays.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcommunities/holidayactivities/register>

**All our letters and important information are available on our website**



[www.sharpscoseprimary.co.uk](http://www.sharpscoseprimary.co.uk)



## PARKING ENFORCEMENT

We have been made aware of a complaint to the Parking and Traffic Enforcement Team at Hampshire County Council of school parents/carers parking their vehicles on the pavements when dropping off/collecting from school. They have been informed that **Baybridge Road** is particularly bad and a concern for residents.

The Parking and Traffic Enforcement Team would like us to inform and remind you of the following information:

- Do not park or stop on the 'School Keep Clear' zig zags
- Do not park or stop on double yellow lines
- Do not park on pavements or verges
- Do not block vehicle access points including driveways
- Do not park or stop on areas marked as keep clear (writing or a white line)
- Allow pedestrians better visibility by parking clear of any crossing points
- Do not block opposite or within 10m (approx. 33 feet) of a junction
- Keep clear of bus stops or designated bus bays

Please be considerate and safe when dropping off/collecting your children from school.

**THINK** BEFORE **PARK**  
YOU

**BE CONSIDERATE TO OUR NEIGHBOURS**

**YOU COULD ENDANGER A CHILD'S LIFE**

