

Shelford School News

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School Clubs

Further to the information already sent on Wednesday regarding school clubs, your child should have received information about Premier Sport Clubs, jazz dance, triathlon and the school-run tournaments and netball clubs. All of the children who have already returned their forms for the netball and tournaments clubs will be given a place. The organisers of the other clubs should contact you directly to let you know whether your child has secured a place this term.

Orchestra

The school orchestra club starts on Monday at 8.00am in the school hall lead by Mrs Barlow. If your child is aged Year 3 or above and plays an instrument in or out of school s/he is welcome, indeed encouraged, to join our school orchestra.

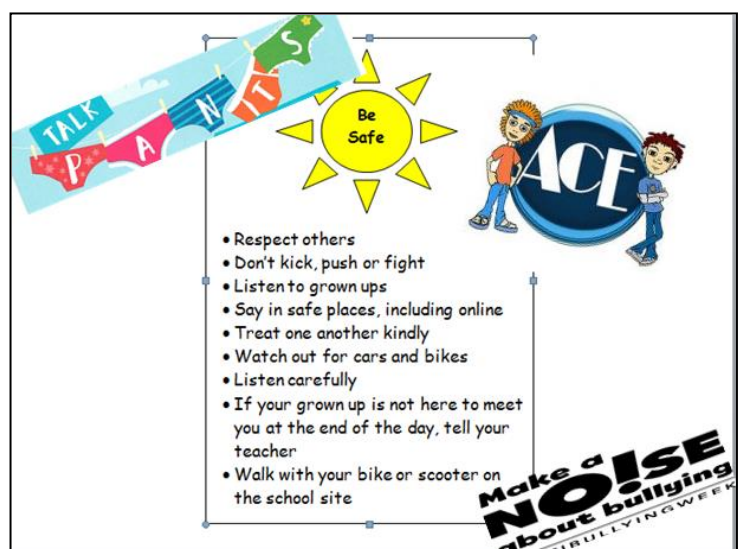
If you are unsure whether or not s/he is ready for the challenge, you could check with your child's music teacher or just come along and try out a couple of sessions. Musical arrangements are written for the group so easy parts can be written. The first session is **this Monday** morning at 8am, in the school hall (access from the back door of the hall).

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Barlow lucybarlow61@hotmail.co.uk

School assemblies

School assemblies have continued to teach and build on our understanding of our ethos and values over the last two days. In yesterday's assembly, under the umbrella of our "**Be Safe**" Star Value, issues of personal safety (the NSPCC PANTS strategy) and online safety (the ACE curriculum), were discussed.

You should have already received a NSPCC PANTS booklet from us, it might be good to refresh your memory on this and to have a conversation with your child about this important issue.



An e-safety booklet A parents' guide to being Share Aware is being sent to you in due course. Page 5 gives good advice about conversations with your child.

Today's assembly focussed on our school community and our expectations of each other to play our part in "making Shelford School a great place to be". We spoke about our rights and responsibilities, our intention to give and contribute positively as well as to engage and receive positively. This led us to our school council elections, with the children taking part in a secret ballot in our hall polling booth. The votes are being counted by Mrs Ward, our returning officer as I write, and will be announced in our celebration assembly later today. These results and the names of our new Head Boy and Head Girl will be announced in the next school newsletter on Wednesday 13th September. Exciting times!

I hope that it has been helpful to hear a little of our ethos explained in our last three newsletters.

Meet the teacher evening

And finally, the reminder worthy of a repeat, once again ...

The first parent/carers briefing this year takes place on Thursday 14th September, starting at 7.30pm in the school hall for a review of last year and a summary of what to expect in 2017 – 2018, including our school improvement priorities. This will be followed by time in class to meet with your child's class teacher(s), to have a look at the classroom and to receive important information about routines, procedures and the curriculum, including an overview of the homework that will be expected. We do hope that, as this date was published to you on a number of occasions in Summer Term that you were able to reserve it and will be able to join us for this important evening. Please note that this is an evening for adults and not the children, on this occasion.

Kind regards, Mrs Evans