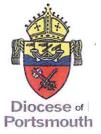
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Shanklin Sherpa





... where love is the motivating force. (2 Corinthians chapter 5 verse 14)

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors

Between their first assessment this year (before Autumn half-term) and the latest assessment just (before summer half-term), I am pleased to say that on average, across all year groups pupils' average progress was more than the nationally expected progress by the following amounts:

- Speaking & Listening: 54% more than nationally expected progress
- · Reading: 61% more than nationally expected progress
- · Writing: 40% more than nationally expected progress
- Maths: 59% more than nationally expected progress
- Science: 70% more than nationally expected progress

Clearly there are some children who are making less than nationally expected progress, and all these children have focussed targeted interventions to support them to improve, and the number of your children who have made double, or more expected progress is much greater than those who have made less than nationally expected progress.

The challenge now is to keep up the progress and aim for the very best we can over the coming year, whether that is at high school (for our year 6) or here at Shanklin.

David Moorse

Country Dancing Festival

This annual event had to be postponed on Wednesday due to the wet weather. It has now been rescheduled for 11am, next Wednesday 19 June, again subject to weather! Twenty four of our children in Years 3 and 4 will be performing 10 dances, one of which they have created themselves. The children will travel to and from Havenstreet by mini bus. It is our understanding that parents will not have to pay the entrance fee, so please come along and support your children.

School Photographer

On Monday 17 June the School Photographer will be here at 9am to take photos of all classes/registration groups, so please make sure your children are punctual and in full smart uniform, as these group photos are a lovely reminder of their school days and friends.





Sports Day

The children are asked to come to school on Tuesday, 25 June dressed in their PE kit, preferably wearing a t-shirt in their 'house colour'. Parents are invited to come along to watch the more traditional races <u>during the afternoon only</u>. The normal entrance gate will be open from 1.10pm, with the races starting at 1.30pm.

'Phil' the Bag

Thank you to everyone who filled bags with textiles for recycling. We collected 185 kgs in total which resulted in us being awarded a cheque for £92.50. It is hoped that we can take part in this initiative again next year.

The class with the best attendance for week ending 7 June 2013 was Austria Class with 98.7% Well done to Austria Class Holland Class 96.2%, Austria Class 98.7%, Greece Class 93.9%, Germany Class 93.3%, Sweden Class 93%, Poland Class 91.3%, Italy Class 96% and Portugal Class 94.5%

WEEK 1

Weeks commencing: 20 May, 17 June and 15 July

MONDAY: Burger in a bun with Cajun wedges, or vegetable chilli with rice, sweetcorn,

peas, coleslaw, oaty fruit crumble with custard or fresh fruit.

TUESDAY: Roast pork or Quorn roast, crispy roast potatoes, mashed potatoes, cabbage and carrots, cucumber and tomato salad, chocolate crunch or fresh fruit

WEDNESDAY: Chicken and sweetcorn pie or cheese and tomato pizza, mashed potatoes, jacket wedges, broccoli, carrots, mixed salad, pear and cinnamon pudding with custard or fresh fruit.

THURSDAY: Minced beef wraps with cous cous, or jacket potato with cheese, peas,

coleslaw, vegetable sticks, ice-cream or fresh fruit.

FRIDAY: Salmon fish fingers with chips, pasta Neapolitan with garlic and herb bread, baked beans, green beans, tomato and cucumber salsa, citrus crispie or fresh fruit.

Other Dates to Keep 2013

(Do please use your school rules fridge magnet to keep these safe for future reference!)

Wednesday 19th June—Country Dancing Festival at Havenstreet Railway Station

Monday 17th June—School Photographer taking class group photos.

Tuesday 25th June—Sports Day—details to follow

Monday 1st July—Year 6 Play—dress rehearsal

Tuesday 2nd July—Year 6 Play at 2.30pm and 6pm -details to follow

Thursday 4th and Friday 5th July—Senior School Transition Days

Monday 8th July to Friday 12th July - Year 6 trip to Thorness Bay

Monday 15th July-Reports go home

Tuesday 16th July—Report meetings for parents 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Friday 19th July - last day of Summer term

Advanced notice of IW council school holiday dates for 2013 - 2014

Wednesday 4th September - Children return to school for start of Autumn term.

Saturday 26th October - Sunday 3rd November - Autumn Half Term

Saturday 21st December - Sunday 5th January - Christmas Holidays

Saturday 15th February - Sunday 23rd February - Spring Half Term

Saturday 5th April - Monday 21st April - Easter Holidays

Monday 5th May - May Day Holiday

Saturday 24th May - Sunday 1st June Spring Half Term

Wednesday 23rd July 2014 - last day of summer term 2014

Two famous and truly great poems that Mr Moorse would like to share with the children and families of Shanklin CE Primary School

It couldn't be done - by Edgar Guest

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,
But, he with a chuckle replied
That "maybe it couldn't," but he would be one
Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.
So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin
On his face. If he worried he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that;
At least no one has done it";
But he took off his coat and he took off his hat,
And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.
With a lift of his chin and a bit of a grin,
Without any doubting or quiddit,
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done, and he did it.

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done,
There are thousands to prophesy failure;
There are thousands to point out to you one by one,
The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle it in with a bit of a grin,
Just take off your coat and go to it;
Just start to sing as you tackle the thing
That "couldn't be done," and you'll do it.

("Quiddit" is an "olde Englishe" word meaning "lack of clear focus")

Edgar Guest had a new poem published in a newspaper every day for 30 years! How many poems would that be?

"IF" has been voted the "Nation's Favourite Poem"

IF - by Rudyard Kipling written as advice for his own son

IF you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

If you can dream - and not make dreams your master;
If you can think - and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue, Or walk with Kings - nor lose the common touch, if neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you, If all men count with you, but none too much; If you can fill the unforgiving minute With sixty seconds' worth of distance run, Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it, And - which is more - you'll be a Man, my son!

The couplet "If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster And treat those two impostors just the same" is above the players' entrance to Wimbledon Centre Court - Can you think why it is appropriate there?