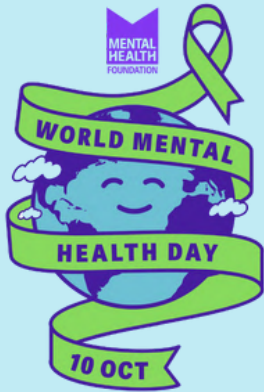




SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SHEPHERDSWELL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

3RD OCTOBER 2025



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

On Friday 10th October, we invite all children to wear something **yellow** to show their support for World Mental Health Day. This could be a yellow accessory or an item that replaces part of their uniform. Please note, this is not a non-uniform day, so children should still wear their normal school uniform alongside their yellow item.



Parent Consultations

Parent Consultations will take place during the week commencing 13th October. You should have already received your invitation to book a slot. If you haven't received this, please contact the school office at admin@shepherdswell.kent.sch.uk. Thank you.



READING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a passion for reading?
Would you like to help develop a child's literacy skills?
Have you got a couple of hours free each week?

If the answer to these questions is yes, then come and be a reading volunteer at Shepherdswell C. E. Primary School where you can make a real difference in developing a child's life-long love of reading!

Join our reading volunteer programme - full training provided. Contact the school office on 01304 830312 for further details.



LANTERN WALK & BONFIRE

Our Lantern Walk & Bonfire Night is coming up on Friday 7th November! This fun-filled event is perfect for the whole family and will include a lantern walk, bonfire, sparklers, crafts, and games for the children.

If you're able to help on the night, your support would be greatly appreciated!



Thank you to everyone who attended the recent PTA AGM. We are always so grateful for your support. If you were unable to join us but would still like to get involved, whether regularly or just occasionally, we'd love to hear from you!

Please email the PTA at pta@shepherdswell.kent.sch.uk

medicaltracker

We're excited to share that the school is now using Medical Tracker to help us keep on top of all medical matters, such as medication, bumps, and minor incidents. This means you'll now receive notifications by email (instead of the SchoolApp). Please don't worry, if there's ever anything more serious, we'll always contact you directly.

Mr Graham's Football Update

Our team played a spirited pre-season friendly at Sandwich Primary School, showing great effort and determination despite the loss. A huge well done to our captain Amber for leading the way with pride. Special congratulations also go to Oliver and Harrison for representing the school team for the very first time!

Forest School Volunteers! WE NEED YOU!

We are incredibly proud to offer Forest School sessions to our children, but we need your help to keep them going!

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join us on Thursdays, to support Mrs W-T with our wonderful Reception Class.

If you have availability to help us, no experience is necessary, just a love of the outdoors and a willingness to get stuck in!

A full DBS check will be required (we will organise this for you).

Your time will make a real difference to our children's learning and well-being.

If you're interested or would like more information, please contact the school office at admin@shepherdswell.kent.sch.uk.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival with a Thanksgiving service in St. Andrew's church on Wednesday 15th October which parents are welcome to join. KS2 will start at 1.45pm and Year R, 1 & 2 will start at 2.30pm. Please note this is a church led service and space in the church is limited. As in previous years we will be asking for food contributions for Dover Foodbank, as well as a small monetary donation which we will also donate to Dover Foodbank to help with their essential costs. Although any tinned/long life items would be gratefully received, the items that are currently in short supply are on their poster.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

27th - 3rd October



Teddy (YR)
Dolly & Raj (Y1)
Percy (Y2)
Elysia (Y4)



Please click on the Facebook logo to take you to our Facebook page, please follow for news and updates.

weekend
READY

TERM 1- DIARY DATES

Date	Event
Tuesday 7 th October	All Sorts Music Concert (for private music lesson pupils)
Friday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day - Wear Yellow
w/c Monday 13 th October	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 14 th October	Family & Individual Photos
Wednesday 15 th October	Harvest Festival
Friday 17 th October	End of Term 1

TERM 2 - DIARY DATES

Date	Event
Monday 27 th October	Start of Term 2
Monday 3 rd November	Flu Immunisation
Friday 7 th November	Lantern Walk & Bonfire
Monday 10 th November	Odd Socks Day
Monday 17 th November	Meeting/tour of school for September 2026 new parents 2pm & 6pm
Friday 21 st November	Children in Need
Monday 1 st December	Decorations Day
Tuesday 9 th December	Y1 & Y2 Nativity - 2.15pm start
Wednesday 10 th December	YR Nativity - 2.15pm start
Thursday 11 th December	Y1 & Y2 Nativity - 2.15pm start
Friday 12 th December	Save the Children: Christmas Jumper Day & PTA Christmas event
Wednesday 17 th December	KS2 Pantomime - 6pm
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 19 th December	Christingle Service
Friday 19 th December	End of Term 2



Determination - Love - Justice - Gratitude