



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SHEPHERDSWELL CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

7TH OCTOBER 2025

On Monday 10th November we will join many other schools around the country by taking part in Odd Socks Day. The idea of Odd Socks Day is simple - wear odd socks to school to help us remember that we are all unique and special! We are not asking for any donations of money for this, it is simply a celebration of our differences. So, on Monday, dig out your most colourful odd socks to wear to school. Please wear the rest of your uniform as normal and if it is cold then you can wear your socks over your tights.



We aim to hold a coffee session every term for all parents to join.

Each session covers a different topic, and this term we'll be joined by Lucy Adams, a Speech & Language Therapist.

Everyone is welcome, but this session will be particularly useful for new Reception parents or anyone who would like advice or guidance on speech difficulties.

This session will take place on Friday 14th November at 2:30pm, and we'd love to see some new faces!

Everyone is welcome, we hope to see you there!



On Wednesday, our Year 6 class visited Canterbury Cathedral as part of the Cathedral Schools Day. The children took part in various activities, explored the stunning cathedral, and learned more about its history and significance. It was a memorable day for everyone involved.



Reverse Advent Calendar

Our Reverse Advent Calendar started on Monday, with all donations going to Dover Foodbank. The list of items will be attached with this newsletter. Please give what you can, your donations are always gratefully received.

Please see below the items for next week's Reverse Advent Calendar:

Monday	Shampoo
Tuesday	Chocolate Bars
Wednesday	Tinned Meat
Thursday	Variety Tins/Boxes
Friday	Tinned Fish



REMEMBRANCE DAY

This week, Year 3 took part in a very special Forest School session themed around Remembrance Day. The children reflected on the meaning of remembrance and then designed and painted their own beautiful poppies. It was a thoughtful and creative way to honour those who have served.



Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our parent survey. We truly value your feedback and are using your suggestions to put measures in place to strengthen any areas where improvement was highlighted. Your input helps us continue to make our school the best it can be!



Friday 21st November, will be a non-uniform day in support of Children in Need. We ask that the children come to school wearing something spotty. This can be something small such as a ribbon, spotty facepaint, spotty socks or tights or a spotty outfit, the list is endless! Please bring in a minimum donation of £1 towards this fantastic charity!



PTA UPDATE

Save the date!

The PTA is excited to announce a Christmas Film Night on Friday 28th November.

We'll be sharing more information soon, but if you'd like to lend a hand on the night, we'd love your support.

Please email

pta@shepherdswell.kent.sch.uk

if you're able to help.



Kanan (YR)
Gryffin & Georgie (Y3)
Clara (Y5)





Dover Foodbank
Together with Trussell

MOST needed ITEMS

CHRISTMAS 2025

- ☒ INSTANT MASH
- ☒ CEREAL
- ☒ TINNED VEGETABLES
- ☒ TINNED MEAT
- ☒ TINNED TOMATOES
- ☒ JAM OR SPREADS
- ☒ MICROAVE RICE
- ☒ FRUIT JUICE UHT
- ☒ BISCUITS
- ☒ HOT CHOCOLATE
- ☒ TOOTHPASTE
- ☒ DEODORANT
- ☒ SIZE 7 NAPPIES
- ☒ SHAMPOO

INFO@DOVER.FOODBANK.ORG.UK
UNIT 7, CHARLTON CENTRE, HIGH ST, DOVER
CHARITY NO. 110878

Thank you to everyone supporting our Lantern Walk and bonfire night, now in full swing! Together, we aim to raise funds for Meningitis in memory of Harry Williams, a former pupil who sadly passed away from this illness 10 years ago.



Meningitis NOW



A big thank you to everyone who supported our school's Scholastic Book Club! Thanks to your purchases, nearly £200 worth of books were bought, raising £38.24 for the school to spend on even more books for our classrooms and library.




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

UW CONNECTORS

Help raise funds for Shepherdswell CEP School
- just by reviewing your household bills!

Did you know you can help raise funds for our school just by reviewing your bills?

- ✓ Save money on everyday household services (energy, broadband, mobile, insurance)
- ✓ Enjoy everything in one simple monthly bill
- ✓ Support our children - UW will donate up to £150 to Shepherdswell CEP School every time a household signs up!

Every household review could earn up to £150 for our school!



It's quick and easy!

- ✓ Simply scan the QR code
- ✓ Your details will be sent directly to Katherine, our local UW partner (and school mum)
- ✓ She'll be in touch to have a friendly chat

SCAN ME

Start saving today while giving back to our school community 😊

TERM 2 - DIARY DATES

Date	Event
Monday 10 th November	Odd Socks Day
Friday 14 th November	Coffee Afternoon (with Speech & Language Therapist)
Monday 17 th November	Y3 Trip to Samphire Hoe Meeting/tour of school for September 2026 new parents 2pm & 6pm
Friday 21 st November	Children in Need - wear something spotty
Friday 28 th November	PTA Christmas Film Night - more details TBC
Monday 1 st December	Decorations Day
3 rd - 4 th December	Y6 Bikeability [Part 1]
8 th - 9 th December	Y6 Bikeability [Part 2]
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	YR Trip to The Gulbenkian Save the Children: Christmas Jumper Day Father Christmas in school 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