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Dear Parents and Carers

We are well into the term now, and routines are firmly established across the school. Staff have been busy this week confirming dates and arrangements for residentials, and we hope to release final confirmations soon. These events form part of our personal development offer, which along with our teaching and learning, assemblies, guest speakers, educational visits, theme days, charity fundraising, performances, Christmas events, school parliament and FOSS school events form a planned and detailed framework to enable our children to flourish academically, socially and morally through their journey at SLE.

Next week, sees the first of our four parent workshop/events this half-term. Mrs Rowe will be running a Read Write Inc information evening for parents new to RWI. This will be run from 3:15pm in Tamar Class. Please see the remaining dates below. There will also be parent and carer consultations appointments during the week of 21st-24th October.

A reminder, please can we ask that you log into Arbor to check your children's details and ensure that we have all the most current details for emergency contacts, any medical conditions and consents.

Finally, can we please ensure that families leave promptly at the end of the day. We need to secure our site to allow after school clubs to operate safely.

Thank you for your continue support.

Enjoy your weekend - Mr Wilson

Staffing

It has been great to see Claire back in our school kitchen this week – the warmth and love she has received from children and adults was truly appreciated.

Contacting Staff

All emails sent to any member of our staff, should always be sent via hello@shortlanesend.org.uk Staff are not to be contact on any other email address. This is Aspire policy to support the wellbeing of staff. Thank you

Extra-curricular activities

This week, the first of our Go Active clubs started. We are currently in discussions with Go Active to increase the number of clubs available. Clubs run voluntarily by staff have had to be delayed starting due to twilight training sessions happening at the start of the term – These will be finalised, and updates will be issued shortly. Thank you for your patience.





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<u>Aspirational Career Day - Friday 27th September 2024</u>

Next Friday, we are asking every child is asked to attend school dressed suitably for their aspirational career. This could be anything that they aim for or dream to be! The day will focus on setting goals, daring to dream and never giving up – which supports our value this half-term of **whole-heartedness**.

Event Dates for half-term

Parent Sessions

- RWI input Tuesday 24th September @ 3:15pm EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2
- Family Support Worker Drop-in session Monday 30th September from 1:45pm
- Maths Workshops (+ and -) Tuesday 1st October @ 3:15pm Whole School
- Online Safety Tuesday 8th October @ 2:30pm and again @ 3:15pm– Whole School

Harvest:

Nursery and Reception Craft Afternoon – Tuesday 8th October from 2:15pm

School Photos

• Individual Photos – Friday 4th October

Parent Consultation Meetings

Week beginning Monday 21st October

Christmas Events

- House Decorate a Christmas Tree Friday 29th November
- Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day Wednesday 4th December
- Year 1 and 2 Nativity Tuesday 10th December
- Nursery and Reception Nativity Thursday 12th December
- Year 3,4,5 and 6 Carol Concert Monday 16th December @ Kenwyn Church

Story Time dates for the Autumn Term 2024



Parent/Carers are invited into school at 3pm to read with their child in their classroom. We look forward to seeing you there!

Nursery and	Nursery	Wednesday 25th September
Tamar Class	EYFS/Year 1	
Kenwyn Class	Year 1/2	Wednesday 2nd October
Helford Class	Year 3	Wednesday 16th October
Lynher Class	Year 4 / 5	Wednesday 9th October
Gannel Class	Year 5 / 6	Wednesday 6th November





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Family/Parenting Worker Drop In

The first drop-in session with Amy, Family Support Worker will be Monday 30th September 2024. This session will be held in school from 1.45pm. These sessions allow you to chat confidentially about supporting your child's needs and behaviours in the home, support with budgeting and debt advice or just to chat about family concerns.

Wraparound Care

Early Birds (7:50am – 8:30am) and After School Club (3:15pm - 5:15pm) are available. Places for **After School Club** wrap around club need to be booked in advance through Parent Pay.

Aspire Finance have noted any debts from last year showing on Parent Pay – We would great appreciate your settlement of these as a matter of urgency please.

School Day

The school day is simplified to an **8:45am start** and a **3:15pm finish** for all classes. The gates will be opened at 8:35am – please ensure that your child is in school **by** 8:45am for registration.

Uniform

A reminder that we ask for your child to wear a school sweatshirt, cardigan or hoodie as part of our required uniform. These can now be purchased from Key Wear in Truro. The rest of the uniform can be purchased anywhere you wish. This decision is in place to ensure that the cost of uniform is kept low. However, we wish to ensure our uniforms is fully affordable and accessible, therefore, high street alternatives to branded school uniforms are very acceptable.

It is important that you support our school by ensuring your child has the correct uniform. If you do have any issues sourcing or affording the correct uniform, please contact the school for help and support.

School PE Kit

- White T-shirt
- Black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers for outside activities.
- Choice of **school** hoodie, sweatshirt or cardigan

Non Pupil Days/Term Dates 2023-24

We have set our INSET (Non pupil) Days for the academic year as: Monday 4th November 2024 Friday 14th February 2024 Wednesday 23rd July 2025





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Our Term Dates for 2024-25 are:

<u>Autumn Term:</u>

Thursday 5th September 2024 – Friday 20th December 2024 (Half-term: 28th Oct – 1st Nov – return to school on **Tuesday 5th November**)

Spring Term:

Monday 6th January 2025 – Friday 4th April 2025 (Half-term: 17th – 21st February) **NOTE:** We have an inset day on **Friday 14th February**

Summer Term:

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 – Tuesday 22nd July 2025 (Half-term: 26th May – 30th May)