



Devon Moors  
Federation



## Shute Primary School Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### Stars of the Week

This week's Star of the Week are:

<b>Pre-School</b>	Walter
<b>Squirrel</b>	Theo
<b>Fox</b>	Darcy & Hunter
<b>Hedgehog</b>	Effie & MW
<b>Badger</b>	Leonie & Megan



Well done to you all!

### Golden Rules Reward

These children have done really well following the Golden Rules this week and have had their reward with Mr Marriott.

<b>Squirrel</b>	Kit
<b>Fox</b>	Nora
<b>Hedgehog</b>	HG
<b>Badger</b>	LG



Well done to you all!

## Folk Band Workshop

Yesterday, Badger Class went to Axe Valley Academy for a folk band workshop day. The children had a great day playing a variety of instruments such as the double bass, violins, mandolins, cajon drums, and bodhrans.

We all learnt to play and sing a piece together, which was no mean feat but they all did really well. It was good to see the children working together, helping each other and learning a new skill. All the children joined in and had a great time. However, I think a few children came home with a blister or two from their enthusiastic playing!

Thank you to all the parents for dropping and picking up, especially at such short notice, for which I again apologise.



**The Family Christmas Bingo at Kilmington Village Hall is tonight!**

6.30pm open for a 7pm start. Children are welcome at the event.

Bingo books are £1 each, cash game costs £1, raffle tickets are £1, and a special game for children will be free. Please note that payment will most likely be cash only.

Many thanks for your generous donations of prizes for the Bingo. Prizes for the Bingo, include Exeter chiefs tickets, Bicton tickets, Seaton tramway tickets, Oliver Joseph gym, and tickets for a show at Axminster Guildhall.

Please bring donations of homemade cakes, mince pies or cupcakes for the event.

Do spread the word about it so that we get a good turn out.

We look forward to seeing you and your family there tonight!

**PTFA meeting next Tuesday at 8pm on Zoom:**

The next PTFA meeting will be held on Tuesday, just click on the link below to attend, all are welcome.

FLORA CRUFT is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: My Meeting

Time: Nov 28, 2023 20:00 London

Join Zoom Meeting

[jhttps://us06web.zoom.us/j/82558201689](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82558201689)

Meeting ID: 825 5820 1689

**The Christmas Panto**

A pantomime troupe will visit the school to perform for the children on Wednesday 29th November. More details to come shortly.

**Jolly Jars for the Christmas Fayre**

We'll be asking each child to bring in a homemade jolly jar on Thursday 7th December, so that they can be sold at the Fayre the next day. These glass jars (old jam or chutney jars work well) can be filled with sweets, chocolate, small toys, pencils, crayons and other treats and decorated in a festive fashion.

**The Christmas Fayre**

This will be held on Friday 8th December after school. Each class will help to run a stall. More details to come.

**easyfundraising**

Want to help our PTFA to get £s for nothing? Download the easyfundraising app

and sign up as a supporter today. It's the easiest and quickest way to support Shute Community Primary School! easyfundraising partners with over 8,000 loved brands so we can get free donations from your online shopping. How amazing is that? Download the easyfundraising app today and start supporting our PTA:  
[https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app?utm\\_campaign=pmc&utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_content=ptaoctgiveaway-fb1](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app?utm_campaign=pmc&utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_content=ptaoctgiveaway-fb1)

Mr Marriott has informed us that the timber play area at school desperately needs to be replaced but the replacement cost is likely to be in the order of £10,000.

The PTFA intend to run a number of specific events during the course of the year - such as the ones above - to try to raise as much of the total as possible, but we also decided that we would relaunch easyfundraising as a means of enabling parents and others to raise funds for the school without very much effort at all!

In essence (for those that don't know about it) you download the app and then whenever you make a purchase through certain connected sites, those sites will pay over a small percentage to your PTFA for nothing! In some cases (such as Amazon) you go through the app to the site to want to use which adds only a couple of seconds to the transaction. For most sites though, once you have downloaded the app, the donation taking place automatically.

Our treasurer started using the app recently and since then he has amassed total donations of £2.16 (from Amazon, Argos, Currys and so on). It doesn't sound much but if you multiply that over a whole year and by the number of parents and carers in the school community, we could raise substantial funds in a fairly short period of time. So why not give it a go!

When new supporters raise £5, easyfundraising will give Shute Community Primary School another free £5!

Mr Marriott signed up to the app during our last committee meeting and it took him only 30 seconds! Once you have downloaded the app, you just have to link it to our cause, Shute Community Primary School and then you're good to go!

Have a good weekend.

Thanks

The PTFA Team

## Diary Dates

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** – Panto in school

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** – KS1 Nativity at the church

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – PTFA Christmas fayre

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** – KS2 Carol Concert at the church

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Squirrel class trip to Barnfield Theatre

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Last day of Autumn term

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January** – Non Pupil Day

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January** – Start of Spring Term

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January** – Height & Weight Measuring for Rec and Yr 6

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February** – Last day of first half of Spring term

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** – Year 3/4 Residential to Hooke Court