

Shacklewell Newsletter

FRIDAY 12TH JANUARY

Headteacher's Update

Happy New Year and welcome to the spring term at Shacklewell. The weather this week has been cold but the children's excitement at being back at school has warmed my heart. The staff too, have returned after the long festive break reinvigorated and ready to deliver the very best for our children.

This week in school the children in Years 1 - 6 have all been focusing on their writing. By studying a new text in depth the children have been inspired to create their own original stories- be sure to ask them about their amazing ideas and finished stories.

In other news, I wanted to let you all know that after 34 years, our fabulous Betty will be retiring at the end of this half term. I am not sure what we will all do without her but we wish her the very best for the future. I know that you will all share your personal good wishes with her before she leaves.

Next Week

Tuesday 16th

- 3W Library visit

Wednesday 17th

- Year 6 Come Dine with Me - 12:50pm
- 4W Library visit

Thursday 18th

- Year 3 Reading Breakfast - 8:30am
- Year 2 Rabbi Visit

Friday 19th

- 2S Sharing Assembly
- Year 1 Fieldwork Trip

Remember to check the [calendar on the website](#) for the whole half term's key dates.

Nursery & Two Year Olds

At Shacklewell we have always been very proud of our nursery and Two Year Old provisions. The children love coming into Caterpillars and Butterflies and I am very pleased to announce that we have, from April, increased capacity in both provisions.

Following [this guidance](#) we are now able to offer **15 hours** of free childcare in the Two Year Old Provision to all families. We also have a small number of spaces in our Nursery and would love for as many of our community to take advantage of this excellent provision.

If you are interested please speak to Fatu in the office, or Ms Lowin, who will be able to answer any questions and support your application.



Ofsted Rated
Outstanding

Two Year Old & Nursery
places available!

We offer:

- Fully funded part-time & full-time places
- Nursery extended hours 8.00am-6.00pm
- Free lunch for full time children



Immediate
start when
your child
turns 3



Outstanding
teaching



Fabulous
toddler groups



Engaging
environments

Weekly School Tours
Every Wednesday at 10.00am
Every Thursday at 5.00pm

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After School Activities

At Shacklewell we are very proud of the dynamic and varied after school opportunities that children can access.

This week we launched our spring term clubs which include some perennial favourites like multisports and chess. We have also been able to offer new clubs including 'Drama Llamas' and 'Musical Elements' which will enhance our school creative curriculum. Most excitingly we have a new newspaper club which allows children in Year 1-6 to create a half termly newspaper for the whole school community.

Please remember that your key contact at school for all things to do with after school care is now Denise Mckenzie.

Parent Council

At the end of last term there was another successful Parent Council meeting. The minutes outline the important items that were discussed including school lunches, teaching and learning and how best the parent council can support the school. All members of the community can attend these meetings so please come along to our next meeting on **Friday 2nd February** at 9.00am to have your say.



Musical fun in Nursery.



Gymnastics superstars in Reception.



Focused readers in Year 3.



A super Year 5 scientist showing his lunchtime creation.



The girls and boys football teams celebrating several victories on Tuesday.

Something for the weekend



The Horniman Museum

Entry: Free
Location: SE23 3PQ

Recently crowned museum of the year this overlooked gem is a perfect combination of fun exhibits and excellent outdoor spaces.

Read more about the week in school on the News section of the [website](#).