



Squirrels Newsletter 1

Dear Parents

Welcome to Squirrels and to Sheerhatch Primary School. We send out a Squirrels newsletter approximately half termly to let you know what's going on in our class. The children have settled in really well this week and we can already see new friendships forming.

Our Topic

This half term our topic is "This is Me!" In the next few weeks there are a couple of things we'd like you to send in. Please send in a **family photo before Monday 21st September**. The photo will be copied and returned to you, or you can email it. We would also like the children to bring in a special **cuddly friend** (eg. teddy) **on Tuesday 29th September**. Both of these objects are needed for writing activities. Thank you for your help!

Show and Tell

Here is the rota for Show and Tell for this half term:

18 th Sept	Amber	Austin	
25 th Sept	Ava	Bela	
2 nd Oct	Ben	Douglas	Eliza
9 th Oct	Ephraim	Jaxx	Josh
16 th Oct	Jude	Kian	
23 rd Oct	Luke	Zara	

Please can your child bring in an object which tells us something about them. For example, a swimming badge, favourite teddy, postcard from your holiday...

Achievements Assembly

On Fridays we like to share our children's achievements with the whole school. If your child does gymnastics, swimming, martial arts, music etc. they can bring any badges or certificates in to show.

Fruit Play

The children are provided with a fruit snack in the morning but, as a school, we feel it is important to encourage our children to get their *five a day*. We have "fruit play" in the afternoon. Therefore, please can you send in a pot, or piece, of fruit or veg each day. This should be named in some way to avoid confusion.

PE

Don't forget our PE day is Thursdays (starting next week) so PE kit should be worn into school.

Communication book

Please leave the blue book in your child's bookbag as we use it to communicate with you. We look at the books each day so if you have any messages for us, please pop them in there. If we've sent you a message, please initial it so we know you've seen it. You can also email v.davy@sheerhatchprimary.org.uk for non-urgent messages or post on the Facebook group.

Open afternoon

Normally, each half term we invite parents into the classroom so that we can show you what we've been learning. This half term we have scheduled an event of some kind for Wednesday 21st October. We will let you know nearer the time how this will work.

Email address

We have a class email address which you can use to send us photos of your child to contribute to their learning journeys. Please add a sentence or two to explain what the photo shows, for example- "Sally built this lego house by herself. She said the windows were square." We look forward to seeing some fantastic pictures and talking to the children about them. Please note that this email address is for **photos only, not important messages**.

squirrels@sheerhatchprimary.org.uk

We're currently trialling a new observation system so this may change, but we'll let you know!

Home stars

With this newsletter you'll receive a page of "home stars". These are for you to tell us about anything your child does that that you want to share with us that doesn't have a picture, eg. "James was singing along to his favourite songs in the car." or "Harry helped me count the apples into the bag at Tesco". If you run out of stars you can print more from our class page on the website or ask for some via the communication book.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to speak to one of us.