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Dear Parents/Carers

Second Spring Term Update 2022

Class 4 Teacher on Fridays

We warmly welcome Mrs S Bishton to St Lucia's School. Mrs Bishton will teach the Year 5/6 class each Friday with a focus on Science and Modern Foreign Languages (French).

Shrewsbury Half-Marathon

There is opportunity for your child to take part in a half-marathon on Saturday 9th April from 9am (Please note this is during the beginning of the Easter holidays). The event will be held at the West Mid Showground in Shrewsbury. **Please inform the school by 9am Friday 11th February using the return slip at the end of this letter and a £12 entry fee to secure a place** (this will include a yellow marathon t-shirt and medal on completion). The long distance running event is open to children from 4-11 years old. School will support practises during lunchtimes, although some commitment will also be involved outside of school to contribute to the 13.1 mile total. The last 1.1 mile will be run at the event. For every school which takes place, a tree will be planted as part of the canopy project to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

School Council

The school council recently met with Mr H Barnes to discuss road safety measures. Some concerns have been raised about parents parking across the pavements, or in the transport and emergency services laybys outside of school. We appreciate this is a busy time for drop off and collection as experienced in schools. Please note, the car park is for staff use only. Thank you for your help in working with us to keep everyone safe.

World Book Day

World Book Day is being celebrated on Thursday 3rd March. Children are invited to dress up as a book character and to bring one of their favourite books to school on this day. Your child will also receive a £1 book token. This year marks the 25th Anniversary of this day!

School Uniform

In line with the school's uniform policy, at this time of the school year, children are to wear long grey/dark trousers (no shorts), skirts, culottes or pinafores with knee length socks/tights (girls) and dark sensible shoes (not trainers). Thank you for your support with this.

Covid

Although all positive Covid cases were eradicated recently, we have been informed of 3 children testing positive in the upper key stage 2 yesterday. We ask for your continued support to encourage regular LFT tests if your child is feeling unwell, or to have a PRC test if any symptoms are showing which can be more reliable. It appears that an upset stomach can be one of these symptoms. As a school, we are following the regional guidance and continuing with caution to keep all protective measures in place.

Cash for Schools

For those of you who read the Shropshire Star local newspaper, or know of others who do, there is a school's competition being launched. The five schools with the most tokens, can win a cash prize to support school projects. The tokens will appear in the paper daily from Thursday 3rd March to Saturday 2nd April 2022. Please place these in the basket in the Reception area.

Parenting Courses

The Solihull approach are offering parenting courses on 8th and 15th March through the Shropshire Council's Parenting Team. Please book your place directly on 01743 250950 or by email parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk to find out more.

Raffle for Eco Schools

As one of our areas of school enhancement this year, we are working towards Eco School status. To support this learning, a raffle has been organised to win the very large 'Kevin the Carrot' currently owned by Mrs Nelson. Tickets are on sale from Class 3 for £1, with a maximum of 3 tickets per child. The draw will be made at the end of next week. Good luck everyone!

St Lucia's Friends

A big thank you to the Friends of St Lucia's for all their efforts over the past few years to organise events for the children. We are now looking for some new recruits to take over the reins. If anyone is interested in taking an active role either as chair, secretary or treasurer, please express your interest at the school office.

Spaces for children in Nursery on Fridays

To support working parents with wrap around care, we are offering Nursery places on Friday mornings and afternoons. Please contact Jacqui Record our Nursery Lead, or the school office for bookings.

Half-term holiday is Friday 18th February until 25th February with a return on Monday 28th February.

Kind regards

S.L. Woolley

Mrs Sarah L. Woolley
Headteacher

Participation in the Shrewsbury Half-Marathon Event Saturday 9th April 2022 from 9am

I(child's name) in Class.....would like to commit to the half-marathon by taking part in the running practises at school and the 1.1 mile on the day.

I.....(parent/carer) provide consent for my child to take part and will transport them to and from the West Mid Showground and supervise my child during the event. I have enclosed the participation cost of £12 **cash** or **cheque** (please circle).