



Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful day at SLE. It was so inspiring for me personally today opening the gate and welcoming the future fire-fighters, police constables, vets, doctors, authors, artists, music stars, chefs, sports stars, teachers, solicitors and other future aspirational career children into school today.

The driving idea behind the day was for our children to be aspirational and to think about their future careers and for our older children to begin to map the journey to achieving their dream career. The day and the activities all form part of a planned curriculum wide input on being **whole-hearted** in our attitude – which is our value for this half-term.

A big thank you to the parents who visited our school today to talk about their careers with our children. Going forward, we would like to continue to invite any interested Parent/Carers to visit to our school, throughout the year, to give class talks on their career, please contact the school office if you would like to arrange a visit.

I think the future of society is in very safe hands from chatting with the children today – special thanks to Stanley for offering me a good trade-in deal on my current car!

Next week, sees the second and third of our four parent workshop/events this half-term. The **family support worker**, Amy has open invites to all parents on Monday 30th from 1:45. 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.

Also, Mr Easter has organised a walkthrough the school where parents can observe and gain advice on addition and subtraction methods used in our maths teaching. Please do not be afraid – at no point will you be forced to complete some difficult calculations. Please come along and see maths in action!

The following week we have two parent guides to internet safety being by Digital Learning Cornwall – one at 2:30 and another at 3:15 – the second session is merely a repeat of the first – following feedback from parents regarding the times. This is a very important opportunity for parents to become aware and given advice in maintain online safety for your children.

Finally, with the weather becoming definitely more autumnal, can we make sure our children have the correct coat for the conditions please.

Thank you for your continue support.

Enjoy your weekend – Mr Wilson



School Calendar

Remember to keep an eye on our school website calendar for important diary dates:
[Shortlanesend School - Calendar](#)

School Photos

School Individual Photos are on Friday 4th October.
Families & Siblings (Siblings not currently in school) photos will be taking place between 8:30am – 9am, please sign in at the school office.

Extra-curricular activities; Autumn Term club details

Club	Day and Time	Year groups	notes
Netball with Go Active	Mondays After school 15:15 to 16:15	Years 4/5/6	Sign up via Arbor. PE kit needed Starting 30 th September
Arts and Stories with Mrs Rowe	Mondays Lunch times 12:30 – 13:00	Reception and Year 1	Starting after Half-term
Choir with Mr Cotts	Tuesdays Lunch times 12:00 -12:30	Years 3/4/5/6	Starting 1 st October
Lego with Mrs Ashley	Tuesdays Lunch times 12:30 – 13:00	Years 1/2	Starting 1 st October
Pokémon Club with Mr Wilson	Tuesdays Lunch times 12:00 -12:30	Years 3/4/5	Starting 1 st October
Outdoors Fun Fit with Go Active	Wednesdays Lunch times 12:30 -13:00	Years 1/2	Sign up via Arbor. PE kit needed Starting 2 nd October
Football with Go Active	Wednesdays After school 15:15 to 16:15	Years 4/5/6	Currently full.
Rugby with Go Active	Thursday Lunch times 12:00 -12:30	Years 3/4/5/6	Sign up via Arbor. PE kit needed Starting 3 rd October
Multi Sports with Go Active	Thursdays After school 15:15 to 16:15	Years 1/2/3	Currently full.



School Trips

Please keep an eye out for emailed class trip letters; these will give details for each trip, including any costs and requests for consent forms to be completed.

Trip dates arranged so far;

- Nancarrow Farm for Years 1 & 2 – Tuesday 8th October
- Cheddar Gorge Day Trip for Years 4, 5 & 6 – Wednesday 16th October
- Hall For Cornwall Panto for Year 3 – Thursday 12th December

Parent Consultation Meetings

- Week beginning Monday 21st October

Story Time dates for the Autumn Term 2024



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

Class	Year	Date
Kenwyn Class	Year 1 / 2	Wednesday 2 nd October
Helford Class	Year 3	Wednesday 16 th October
Lynher Class	Year 4 / 5	Wednesday 9 th October
Gannel Class	Year 5 / 6	Wednesday 6 th November

Wraparound Care

Early Birds (7:50 – 8:30) and After School Club (3:15-5:15) 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 **8:45 start** and a **3:15 finish** for all classes. The gates will be opened at 8:35 – please ensure that your child is in school **by** 8:45 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

Our Term Dates for 2024-25 are:

Autumn Term:

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)